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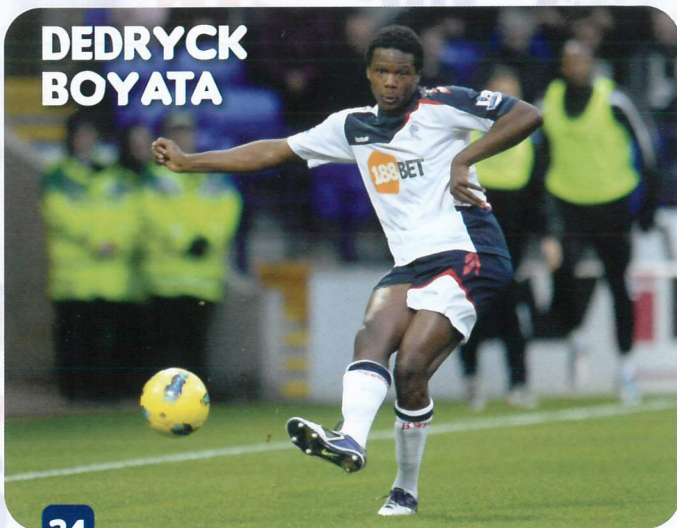
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THE MANAGER

OWEN COYLE



Good afternoon and welcome back to the Reebok for the final time this season. Greetings also to Roy Hodgson and all from West Bromwich Albion who have travelled up from the Midlands and OMMprint, who are our match sponsors.

Today we will look to take the first important step in securing our place in the Barclays Premier League for next season.

We enter the game on a good run of form but mindful of how fine the margins are and how cruel the league can be, as our match against Tottenham reminded us just a few days ago.

There is no doubt that for large parts of that game we were the side in the ascendancy against a team battling it out for a top-four finish and a Champions League place.

The start of the second half saw us score a good goal to deservedly bring us back level and for a period thereafter we were more than right in it, as we were the team on top.

We pushed on, looked for all intent and purpose that we were going to add another goal, but we were hit on the break and on the receiving end of some clinical finishing in a two-minute spell.

It is not a nice feeling but it happens in football, particularly in the best league in the world.

We have had a quick turnaround and we have used our training time well. We know that we will have to give another big performance, be focused for the 90 minutes and we will be positive from the outset.

We are respectful of West Bromwich Albion because they have had a strong campaign and are pushing for a top-half finish. They have dangerous players who have helped them achieve some notable results, particularly the recent win at Anfield.

Congratulations also to Roy Hodgson on his appointment as England Manager. Roy has had a distinguished and successful career both throughout Europe and on the international stage.

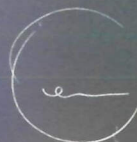
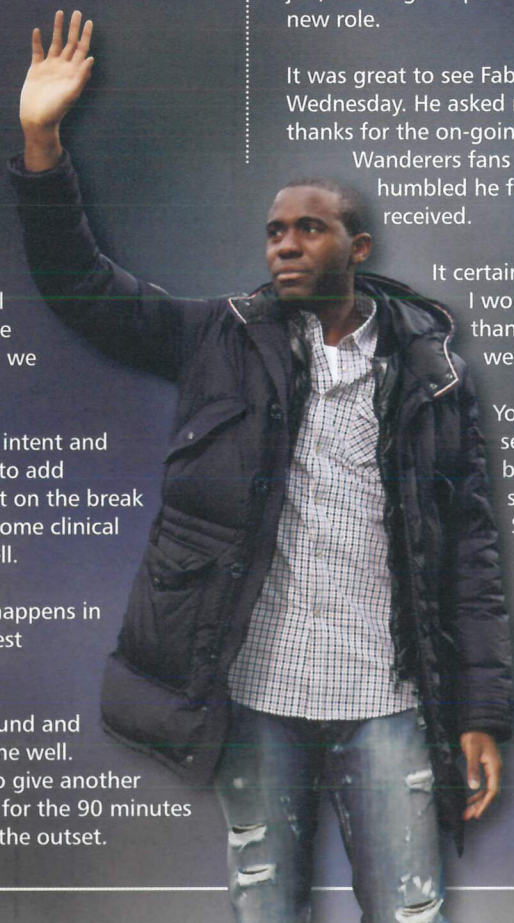
He is a football man through and through and, as well as being skilled and experienced in his job, he is a good person. I wish him well in his new role.

It was great to see Fabrice back at the Reebok on Wednesday. He asked me again to pass on his thanks for the on-going support from the Wanderers fans and he spoke about how humbled he felt with the reception he received.

It certainly was nothing more than I would expect. I would like to thank you all for the backing we have had home and away.

You have been with us all season and we have another big crowd today. We have sold out our allocation for Stoke where we will have more than 2,700 of you there to cheer us on.

For one last time this season, raise the roof.





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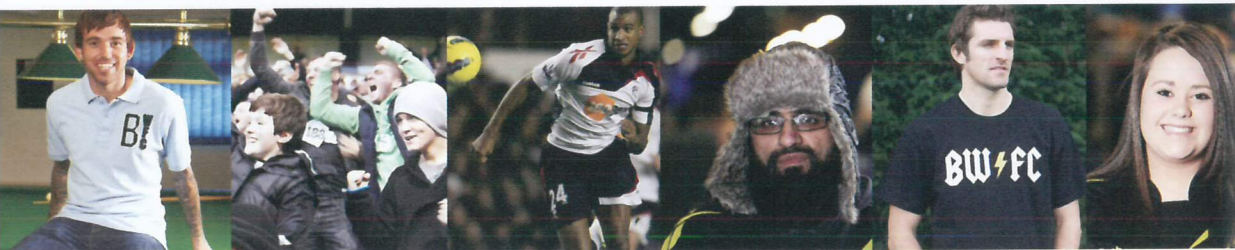
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THE CHAIRMAN

PHIL GARTSIDE



As we complete our final home game of the season we know that we still have a say in our future. It has been a challenging season, with a number of uncontrollables on-and-off the pitch, but we have faced it together and shown the strength and bond we have at our club.

It was fantastic to welcome Fabrice back to the Reebok on Wednesday as he continues on his road to recovery. It was a moving, emotional and uplifting welcome for one of our own.

In the build-up to the match he spent time speaking to his team-mates who were all delighted to be in his company once again. To see Fab back with that big smile on his face was special and we all continue to wish him well.

We have had some tremendous support over the past few years since Owen returned and none more so than in 2011/12.

Our attendances have risen again, season-on-season, and our away support has also increased, while today we will have another packed stadium.

We appreciate the financial stresses and strains around today and we always look to make coming to the Reebok as affordable as possible, but you still have to put your hand in your pocket. We are grateful for the support, so once again thanks for your backing.

I would also like to offer my congratulations to Roy Hodgson on his appointment as England manager.

Roy has an outstanding pedigree as a football manager. Most recently he has achieved success at the Hawthorns with West Bromwich Albion and this has just been the most recent chapter in his long and established career.

He has managed in the best leagues in Europe and on the international stage, and I am sure you will join me in wishing him well for the summer at the European Championships in Poland and Ukraine.

Enjoy the game,

Phil



THE CAPTAIN

KEVIN DAVIES



Wednesday's game was disappointing for all involved. It's been one of those seasons really, we felt like that was a missed opportunity.

We didn't really get out of the blocks in the first half but in the second we were on top. After half time we were dominating and they looked all over the place, really. We were peppering the goal and the crowd were right behind us.

We managed to get ourselves back level with a fine goal courtesy of Nigel and we were pressing on to win the game.

Unfortunately, we got caught out and were punished on a couple of counter attacks by a very good Tottenham Hotspur side. We didn't see it coming because we were trying to win the game.

As I say, it was very disappointing because it was a game we all felt we were in with a shout of winning.

On Thursday morning we were straight back out on the training ground hard at work. We've picked ourselves up and are ready to go again.

There's no doubt that this afternoon's game is a must-win. We have to go out there and do the business, then at the end we can assess how Aston Villa and QPR have got on.

It's a huge game and for some of the players selected today it could be the biggest game of their careers. For me, I remember a few years ago when we went to Chelsea and it was going to take a big swing in goal difference for us to go down. That went to the last game and was an important game in my career, but we were safe really.

Today is a massive game for the club, for me, for everyone. It's one of the biggest games I can think I have played in since I have been here. We know what is required and it's going to take people to stand up and be counted. There is no hiding now.

If we score scrappy goals and play ugly then so be it, but we know West Brom won't make things easy for us this afternoon.

Congratulations must go to Roy Hodgson on getting the England job, but knowing the kind of professional he is from when he signed me at Blackburn, I can't imagine he'll be thinking about anything else other than West Brom this afternoon. He'll certainly want to go out on a high with them.



We expect a tough game because they are in good form. It is going to be hard for us, so we have to make sure we come out and go from the first kick.

It doesn't matter if we're putting pressure on ourselves, we have to go and do the business, take three points and then see where that leaves us going into Stoke.

Finally, it was great to see Fabrice back at the Reebok on Wednesday evening. It looks like nothing had ever happened to him - he was back to his normal self.

All of the lads were absolutely over the moon to see him and I'm sure all of the fans were. The noise that was created prior to kick-off was immense and the lads could all hear it in the tunnel and dressing room.

Your support has been amazing all season and on behalf of all the lads I wish to thank you for that. Hopefully we can repay you with three points this afternoon and go on to preserve our Premier League status.

Enjoy the game,



MATCH ACTION

MATCH REPORT

Bolton registered their first away draw of the Premier League season as Kevin Davies' double helped to earn an important point at the Stadium of Light.

The captain nudged Bolton ahead midway through the first half when he converted Martin Petrov's dinked centre, but the Black Cats were level on 36 minutes when Nicklas Bendtner equalised with a low finish across and past Adam Bogdan.

After David Ngog had hit the bar at the end of the first half, Sunderland turned the game on its head when James McClean netted a 30-year free-kick ten minutes after the restart.

But Wanderers' battling spirit once again came to the fore when Davies headed in his second of the game with 20 minutes remaining.

Substitute Ivan Klasnic almost won it late on, however Craig Gordon saved well with his legs.

THE GAFFER

"We started the game really well and were the team on top for the first 25 minutes. It culminated in us scoring a wonderful goal and we looked comfortable at that point.

"The disappointment for us is that for Sunderland's equaliser we had possession but gave the ball away cheaply. That gave their crowd a big lift and they got behind their team, but we dealt with that.

"We came out for the second half and again we looked comfortable, but we found ourselves going behind through a good free-kick.

"Again we picked ourselves up, continued to try and play good football and netted a deserved leveller, again through Kevin Davies.

"The captain led the line fantastically. He is in good form and long may that continue."



MAN OF THE MATCH

KEVIN DAVIES

Few could disagree that Kevin Davies had his best game of the season, scoring two instinctive goals from close-range in either half.



SATURDAY 28 APRIL 2012

SUNDERLAND 2

BENDTNER 36, MCCLEAN 55

BOLTON WANDERERS 2

DAVIES 26, 70

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KEVIN DAVIES WHEELS AWAY AFTER PUTTING BOLTON AHEAD IN THE 26TH MINUTE.

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THE CAPTAIN CLINICALLY CONVERTS AT THE FAR POST FOLLOWING MARTIN PETROV'S PRECISE CROSS.

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JOSH VELA IMPRESSING IN ONLY HIS SECOND-EVER APPEARANCE FOR BOLTON.

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DAVID NGOG'S STRIKE IS PALMED ONTO THE CROSSBAR BY CRAIG GORDON.

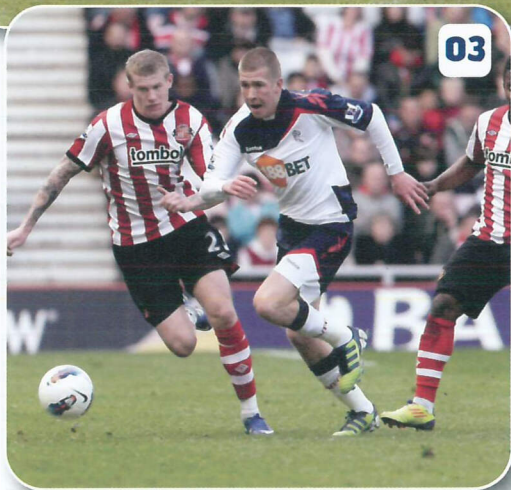
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KEVIN DAVIES EARNS HIS TEAM A POINT WITH HIS CLOSE-RANGE HEADER.

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Bulletin Board

DON'T LET YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE RISE AT THE GAME

As we know, watching football can be a stressful hobby and can cause blood pressure to steadily creep up. This is why the Stroke Association and Bolton Wanderers Community Trust will be offering free blood pressure and pulse checks during half-time at today's game against West Bromwich Albion.

At this afternoon's match, there will also be a pre-match balloon release, people wearing branded t-shirts, and bucket collections around the stadium.

High blood pressure is the single biggest risk factor for stroke, affecting around 39 percent of men and 31 percent of women. An irregular heartbeat could also increase the risk of having a stroke.

A stroke happens because of a clot or a bleed in the brain, causing brain cells to die. One person has a stroke every five minutes in the UK and more than 4,700 people are living with the effects of a stroke in Bolton.

Liz Roberts from the Stroke Association says: "Thousands of people are completely unaware of their own blood pressure levels, and a lot of people we test are shocked to hear their blood pressure is high. It's a quick, free and painless way to find out your own risk.

"We will be handing out information to raise awareness of the symptoms, causes and risk factors of stroke and referring those with high blood pressure to their GPs."

Over 40 percent of strokes could be prevented by controlling high blood pressure, with regular exercise, healthy eating, giving up smoking and avoiding excessive drinking. For example, if everyone ate their five fruit and veg a day, the number of strokes in the UK could be reduced by a quarter.

The team will also be making sure that people know the 'FAST' test. It stands for Facial weakness, Arm weakness, Speech

1 in 6 people

will have a stroke



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problems, and if you see someone experiencing any of these, it's Time to call 999. The faster people who are having a stroke are taken to hospital, the better the chances of recovery.

This event is being held as part of Action on Stroke Month in May. It is a new campaign to challenge the barriers that hold back the recovery of stroke survivors and get everybody talking about stroke. Sign up to the campaign at www.stroke.org.uk/strokemonth

The Stroke Association is a charity which believes in life after stroke. It campaigns for improvements in care, supports people to make the best recovery they can and funds research to come up with new treatments and ways of preventing stroke.

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TOP 3

LIVERPOOL

JOHN BROWN AND LUKE JOYCE – 1 MIN 10.5 SECONDS

CHELSEA

CLAIRE GREEN AND CHRIS CRAGG – 1 MIN 13 SECONDS

ASTON VILLA

GEZZ COLLINGBORN AND WILL NOLAN – 1 MIN 17.35 SECONDS



TODAY'S CHALLENGERS

NAME: PETE O'NEILL
FROM: MANCHESTER
AGE: 31

NAME: CHRIS VILLIERS
FROM: FARNWORTH
AGE: 31



BOLTON WANDERERS ANNUAL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

The Annual Service of Remembrance will take place at the Reebok Stadium on Wednesday 23 May starting pitchside at 6.30pm and will be conducted by the Club Chaplain Phil Mason.

The service will then continue in the Platinum Suite with music from the Smithills School Senior Brass Band.

During the service, names of loved ones that have been inscribed in the memorial book or engraved on a memorial stone during the past 12 months will be read out. All the names of loved ones to be remembered from previous years will be displayed on the big screen.

Within the service, people will be invited to come forward and light candles in memory of their loved ones. This year, plans for the Nat Lofthouse memorial statue will be shared during the service.

Phil Mason said: "The service is always a very moving occasion and it is good to come together as the Bolton Wanderers family to remember and support one another in this special way.

"This year we shall also be thinking about the plans ahead for the Nat Lofthouse memorial statue and it seems very appropriate that we share these plans within the context of this service."

Light refreshments will be served following the service.





Wanderers And The Environment

PART 2: WASTE MATTERS

The second article investigating the Wanderers' role in the environment sees Operations Manager David Paveley (right) explain how the club deals with the large volume of litter and waste produced at the Reebok Stadium.



During the 2011 calendar year the football club and the DeVere Whites hotel combined to produce an astonishing 450 tonnes of waste, the weight equivalent of five Boeing 757 aeroplanes.

Remarkably, the club were able to recycle around 90 percent of that figure meaning Bolton Wanderers were very much one of the leading lights amongst football clubs up and down the country.



Dave, how much of an achievement is it for the club to be recycling 90 percent of the waste produced at the Reebok Stadium?

DP: It's a significant achievement. The waste just doesn't come from the football club, but the hotel too. We have a duty of care to make sure it's disposed of properly and responsibly. Along with that, we're trying to make sure that as little waste as possible ends up as landfill.

A large proportion of the 450 tonnes of waste is recycled from the start and doesn't need to get taken off site. Things like cardboard, glass, oil, electrical items, batteries, ink cartridges and mobile phones are all separated out to start with and 100 percent of those are recycled.



What happens to the other waste that is left over?

We refer to that as the general waste and we know that 88 percent of that then gets recycled. In total, of that 450 tonnes, 90 percent of that is recycled. The other ten percent goes to landfill.

And how does this all compare to other football clubs and companies in the UK?

It compares pretty well. Local authorities' targets are set at around 75 percent, so for us to be hitting 90 is a great achievement. We're certainly leading the way in terms of football clubs in the country.

What other companies are involved in the whole operation?

We work in partnership with a company called Wheeldons. They're a locally-based firm so that means we keep all of our fuel costs down. They have a variety of picking lines whereby all of the general waste is separated as much as possible. For example, things are divided up into cardboard, plastic, cable and a number of other categories.



DS Smith Recycling also have an agreement with ourselves in which they provide the bins and the collection of the waste at no charge. That then goes off to a factory in Bolton who recycle the cardboard, so to them it's a real commodity.

Aside from kiosk waste, can you give us a few examples of other waste recycled by the club?

Mobile phones are dealt with by Dave Atkinson, the club's IT Director. Cooking oil from the DeVere kitchens is either turned into biodiesel or cleaned and reused. At Lostock we've implanted a closed system that ensures that no water is wasted and that it's all recycled. So there's a whole variety of different waste that goes through different processes.



So all in all, supporters attending games at the Reebok Stadium can go home knowing that their waste is being disposed of effectively and efficiently?

Absolutely. The message for our supporters is to let them know that even if they are putting something in a general bin at the Reebok Stadium, it's still getting recycled and sorted for them. At home they may have to sort their own rubbish and divide it into separate bins.

We of course want to encourage fans to make sure that when they are at the stadium they continue to put their rubbish in the bins or preferably take it home with them and not leave it under their seats or drop it on the floor outside. When they use the bins we are getting rid of the waste responsibly.



We want supporters to be involved in our role in recycling. If anyone has any other ideas as to ways in which we can improve what we are doing we'd ask them to email energywatch@bwfc.co.uk.

For more information log onto www.bwfc.co.uk and click on the 'Wanderers And The Environment' tab.



Nat Lofthouse Memorial Fund

27 August 1925 - 15 January 2011



Six iconic images of Nat Lofthouse have been revealed by Bolton Wanderers - with fans encouraged to vote for their favourite.

The shortlist will be narrowed down to a final three using the supporter feedback, before Nat's family decide which picture will be used to for the statue that will be located outside the Reebok Stadium.

Fans can view the six images here and cast their vote by emailing feedback@bwfc.co.uk

Club Chaplain Phil Mason, who is co-ordinating the memorial fund, said: "Each picture captures something of Nat's character and strength and speaks of his remarkable playing career, both for Bolton Wanderers and England.

"Over the next two weeks, everyone will have the opportunity to vote for their favourite picture of Nat, to help shape the iconic statue to be created for one of Bolton's great sons.

"The family and the club want the people of Bolton to really feel part of this project and to engage with the whole process, as they are helping to raise money towards the statue.

"I am sure everyone will have their favourite picture of Nat, and it would be great to have thousands of votes.

"Everyone who votes is being encouraged to make a donation to the fund to help towards completing this great tribute to a man who was Bolton through and through."

More than £20,000 has now been raised towards the Nat Lofthouse Memorial Fund.

For more information visit www.natlofthouse.co.uk

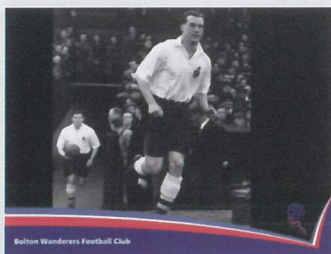


Image 1
Nat leads out
Bolton Wanderers
in 1955



Image 2
Nat in action
against Arsenal
in September
1955, when
Bolton won 4-1



Image 3
Nat playing
against Wolves
on a rain-soaked
pitch in the
1949/50 season



Image 4
Nat's team-mates
hold him aloft
after Wanderers
won the FA Cup in
1958. He scored
both goals and
captained the team
in the 2-0 win

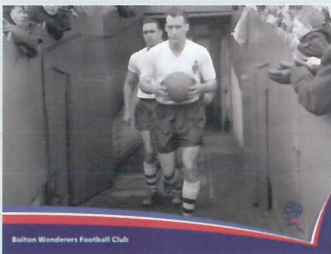


Image 5
An iconic image
showing Nat
holding the ball,
leading out his
beloved Bolton
Wanderers at
Burnden Park



Image 6
Nat scoring for
England against
Belgium at
Wembley in 1952

A FOOT IN BOTH CAMPS RICHARD SNEEKES

By Will Hucker



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idfield Maestro Richard Sneekes talks about his playing days with both Bolton Wanderers and West Bromwich Albion

In this season's final edition of 'A Foot in Both Camps,' the programme explores the career of Dutch master Richard Sneekes who enjoyed two years with Wanderers between 1994 and 1996, before moving on to today's opponents West Bromwich Albion where he stayed until 2001.

Sneekes was signed by manager Bruce Rioch at the start of the ultimately successful quest for promotion in the 1994/95 season. That was, of course, the same campaign that saw the team finish runners-up in the Coca-Cola Cup. To reach the twin towers of Wembley twice in his maiden season in England was something that even Sneekes himself could not quite believe.

He said: "When I signed for Bolton I had just been out on loan at a Swiss club called Locarno, but I was contracted to Fortuna Sittard in Holland. To come over to England and in your first season to win promotion through the play-offs and to also play a major cup final at Wembley against Liverpool was like a dream, it really was unbelievable.

"As soon as I signed everything just clicked. All the players were great and Bruce Rioch who signed me was a good manager who made sure that everybody at the club was happy, including each player's families, making sure that everyone was really welcoming.

"Obviously the cup final and the play-off final stand out, but overall I just had a great time. I loved playing at Burnden Park and right from day one I was taken into the team as if I had been there for years. It was a real family club and I've got nothing but fantastic memories of my time there."

Liverpool ended up winning that final after a brace from a young Steve McManaman secured a 2-1 win for the Merseysiders. Alan Thompson's strike proved to be just a consolation, but the defeat did not taint Richard's memory of the day.

He recalled: "Unfortunately we weren't able to beat Liverpool in the League Cup final, but I would honestly say that just to witness that day was incredible.

"Even when I think about it now it still makes the hairs on the back of my neck stand up. The whole day was such an experience - driving to Wembley with the masses of people and walking out into the stadium was just a day that I'll never forget.

"It's the kind of thing you dream of being able to do as a boy. I used to always watch cup finals on the television so to be involved in one was very special. There will be players out there who have won major titles in their career but never got to play at Wembley and to go there twice in a year was absolutely unbelievable. Just to go there was such a pleasure and the whole build up was something that I really treasure."

Whilst defeat in a cup final is not something that anybody would want to experience, the team managed to take the experience of playing at Wembley and use it to their advantage when they produced the epic comeback to triumph over Reading in the play-off final eight weeks later.

Although it was one of the greatest moments in the club's history, from a personal point of view the occasion was tinged with a sense of 'what might have been' after Richard injured his ankle shortly after the League Cup final and was unable to feature in the final weeks of the season.

He explained: "The second time that we went there I unfortunately missed out through injury. I did my ankle ligaments in a home game against Sunderland in mid-April and was ruled out for the remaining games. I was in plaster until the last game of the season so when the play-off final came around I was really only 50 percent fit and Bruce decided to choose somebody who was fully fit to go on the substitutes' bench.

"So I had to sit that one out, but again it was just an unbelievable occasion and to be able to witness it was amazing considering it was my first season in English football. I have to admit it was a disappointment not to be able to play in the play-off final, especially as I played in so many games throughout the season.

"But my overwhelming emotion was just great pride and delight that the team were able to finish off all the good work that we did that year. It was also a fantastic achievement from Bruce Rioch when you consider the minimal amount of money that he spent, to get us to a major cup final and to get us promoted that year."

Sneekes was adamant that the close-knit team spirit that was in place was essential to the team's success, but having a relatively small squad and low budget made the achievement all the more impressive.

"The team that was assembled worked so well," he said. "There were only about 18 players but week-in week-out the lads went and produced really good performances.

"There was John McGinlay along with Mixu Paatelainen and Owen Coyle up front as our three main strikers. Jason McAteer could operate on the right or in the middle, Alan Thompson could play on the left, David Lee on the right.

"Scotty Green at right-back, Jimmy Phillips at left-back, Keith Branagan in goal with Alan Stubbs and Mark Seagraves in defence. There was a great balance in the team and some good characters as well. Alan Thompson was mad as a hatter and Jason McAteer was a very talented footballer but not the smartest in the brain department!



**RICHARD SNEEKES AND STEVE MCMANAMAN
IN THE COCA COLA CUP FINAL OF 1995**



RICHARD SNEEKES PLAYING AGAINST HIS FORMER CLUB IN DECEMBER 1999

"There were two incidents involving Jason McAteer that really made everyone giggle. One of them I can't really go into because it's a bit rude!

"But the one that I can talk about was when he was filling out an application for a credit card and there were questions about his job. It asked him what his position was within Bolton Wanderers, so he should have put 'player' or whatever.

"Jason put down 'midfielder' and it had everyone in stitches. But that was Jason for you, he wasn't one of the cleverest players, but luckily for him he was a very good footballer! Whenever I speak to any of the lads that I was with at Bolton and we reminisce, that story always seems to crop up."

After the victory over the Royals, the top-flight beckoned, although the team's preparations for the new campaign suffered a major blow when Bruce Rioch departed after being approached by Arsenal.

"The Premier League was really tough," Sneekes said. "We didn't have as much money to spend as some of the other clubs and then of course Bruce left to go to Arsenal.

"By that time Sasa Curcic had joined the club and he was a very good player but obviously it meant that my opportunities were much more limited. It was a little bit frustrating, but that's football."

Having found himself out of the side, it became clear that in order to re-establish himself as a first team regular, Sneekes may have to move clubs. And when he was informed that offers had been coming in for his service, he opted to make the move to the midlands.

He said: "One morning at the training ground I was pulled to one side and was told by the manager that there had been bids from a couple of clubs for me and that those bids had been accepted. Then I was told that I didn't have a future and that was really hard to take.

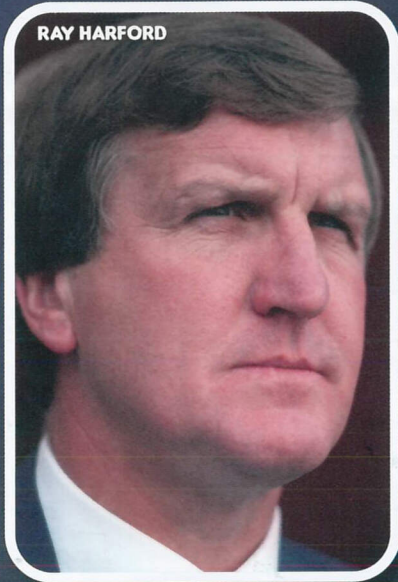
"We'd moved to the area and were settled. It took me completely by surprise and I had never experienced it before because the transfer system in Holland was totally different, as a player can only move in the close-season. I took a little bit of time deciding where I was going to go but in the end I was very happy with my decision to join West Brom because I went on to have six great years there."

During his spell at the Hawthorns, Sneekes played under no less than eight different managers, as the Baggies tried to put into place the managerial team that would see them challenging for promotion to the Premier League.

"Whilst I was at West Brom there were a lot of managerial changes," he said. "But I think that a lot of that was to do with the ambition of the club. West Brom is a big club and it was a big club back then too.

"The managers that were there were given money to spend but the board were not afraid to get rid of them. Some of the managers had personal problems and left on their own accord, others were sacked, but the manager that stands out for me was Ray Harford.

RAY HARFORD



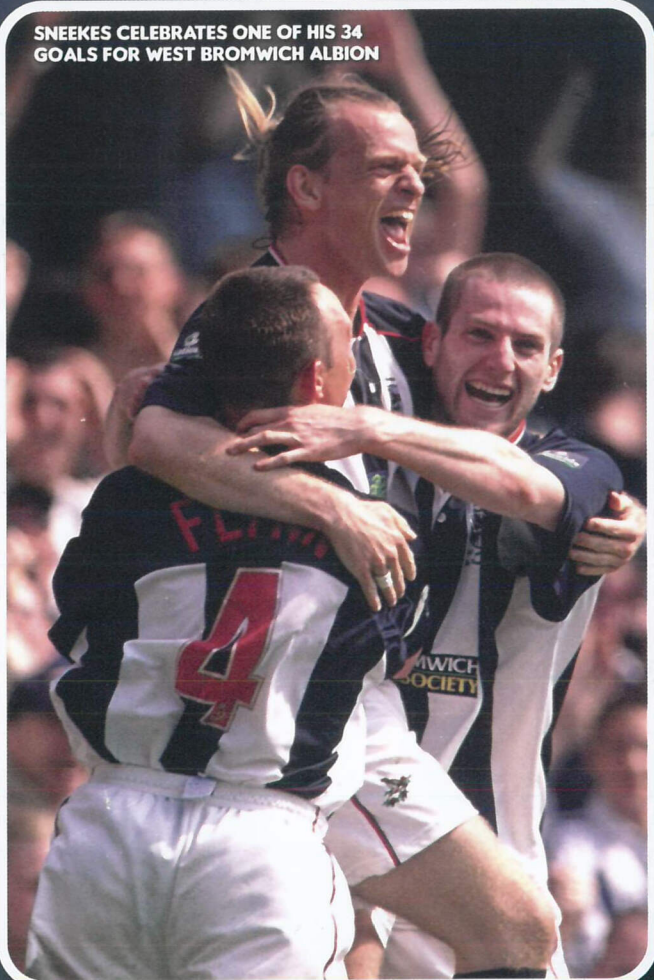
"He was a brilliant, brilliant coach and a really lovely man. It was so sad when he passed away in 2003 and it's fair to say that he has been sadly missed by the football world. I was very grateful to have had the chance to play for him and to have him as a coach. I learnt so much from him."

Sneekes is now retired and working as first team coach for League Two side, Hereford United. At the time of writing, the Bulls' Football League future was hanging in the balance, needing to win their final game of the season at home to Torquay whilst hoping that other results go their way.

**SNEEKES IN HIS
CURRENT ROLE
WITH HEREFORD**



**SNEEKES CELEBRATES ONE OF HIS 34
GOALS FOR WEST BROMWICH ALBION**



But regardless of whether Hereford survive or not, the coaching experience that Sneekes has gained at Edgar Street has been something that he has found immensely enjoyable.

He enthused: "I was at Tamworth last season where I was assistant manager to the youth academy and then last summer I got given the chance to go to Hereford last summer. It's been a struggle results-wise over the season and a lot of it is purely down to the fact that we've got a very, very small budget. Our budget for the whole team for the season is probably what an average Premier League player earns by himself over a year.

"We've just struggled to find consistency this season but I've loved every minute of it. The character and the team spirit that our lads have shown all through the year and the way they've responded to the way we coach has been really encouraging. No matter what happens with our fight to avoid relegation I will look back on this season with great fondness."



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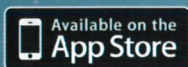


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HOME & AWAY

WITH DEDRYCK BOYATA

By Daniel Houlker



What was the name of the first club you ever played for?

They were called Saint-Josse from my hometown of Brussels in Belgium. They weren't a very big team and I don't really remember us playing in any leagues. I think I was about 11-years-old when I first started playing for them.

Which teams did you support growing up?

At first my team was always Arsenal and then I grew into liking Real Madrid. The Madrid thing all came about because I loved the Brazilian Ronaldo and I used to fancy myself as a striker. I would play up front for Saint-Josse and was scoring a lot of goals. Though to be honest with you, I didn't even find it hard to score goals because of the standard.



Aside from Ronaldo, did you have any other role models?

Yes. The other two main ones were Thierry Henry and Michael Owen. They were both scoring goals in the Premier League at the time and I remember watching them a lot on the television.

Who has had the biggest influence on your career?

My father (Bienvenu Boyata) had a big influence when I was young. He too played as a striker for a second division club in Belgium called Union Saint Gilloise.

Do you have a favourite goal that you've scored?

Maybe the first goal I scored for Manchester City. It was against FC Timisoara in the Europa League and it was the goal that got us through to the next round.

What make and model are your boots?

I used to play with Adidas Predators but now I'm wearing Nike boots. They're the CTR360 versions.



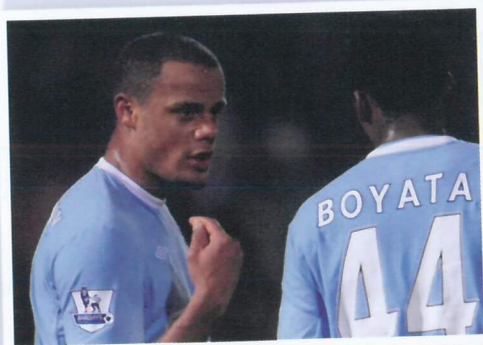
What's the best ground you've ever played at?

That's a difficult question man. I'd go for Lech Poznan's. I played the full game for City in the Europa League against them last season. I think the stadium is called the City Stadium and has only just been built for the Euros this summer. We lost 3-1, but the atmosphere was brilliant.



Who are your close friends in football?

I'm close to Vincent Kompany. He's a great player and I get on well with him because we are both from Belgium. He's someone I look up to now. Eden Hazard of Lille is another great player and someone who I'm able to have a laugh with. Then there's a lot of players in the Manchester City reserve team that are my good friends. Abdul Razzak is probably one of my other main friends.



Who's the craziest player you've ever played with?

I'd definitely have to include Sparky (Mark Davies) and Robbie Blake! Joe Hart is also a really funny guy and sometimes I just think he's got too much energy.

Who's the most skilful player you've ever played with?

When I was young and playing football in the streets some of the skills there were crazy. You never see professionals doing stuff like that. Coming back to Eden Hazard, he's probably one of the most skilful players I've ever played with professionally.



Who's the toughest player you've played with?

Without a doubt that's Vincent Kompany. He's shown how good he is this season and doesn't let anything get in the way of what he wants to achieve. He's not only a fantastic footballer, but a real no nonsense defender.

Who's the most difficult striker you've had to mark?

I'd say Jermain Defoe. He's quick and makes runs into areas that defenders don't like.

What was your first car and what is your current car?

My first car was a BMW 1 Series and I now drive a Mercedes C63 AMG Coupe.

What was the last music album you bought?

It was Drake's latest one.

What do you watch on television?

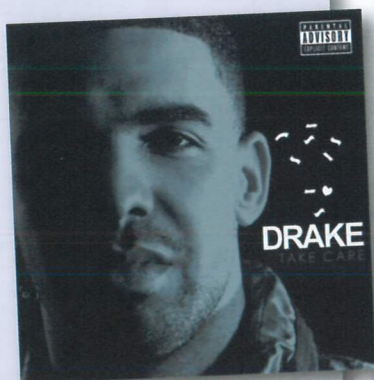
To be honest I don't watch much television.

Do you have any tattoos?

No. I don't ever have any plans to get any either.

What was the last book you read?

It was a biography about Nelson Mandela.



What aftershave do you wear?

Paco Rabanne's 1 Million.



Are you good at any other sports?

I like basketball. I play a lot with my cousin. He now lives in America and plays for his college team but when we have time off together we often train alongside one another.



Do you have a favourite holiday destination?

Not really, because I don't usually tend to go on holiday. Most summers I just go back to Belgium, though I did visit St Lucia last summer and enjoyed it there.

Do you have a middle name?

I don't really want to tell anyone, but it's Anga. Officially, that's my first name if you look on my passport. Now the lads just call me Anga as a nickname.

What's your favourite food?

I like a lot of African food. Plantain banana is one of my favourite meals. You basically fry some banana and then you can eat it with chicken and other stuff.



TEAM-MATES

GREGG WYLDE



Celtic recently regained the initiative north of the border after romping to the Scottish Premier League title for 2011/12, however for the previous three campaigns it was their Glasgow rivals Rangers who held the bragging rights.

Last season in particular, Gregg Wylde was a key component in the Rangers squad, making 15 league appearances in what was largely his breakthrough season.

In the final edition of Team-Mates, Bolton's latest recruit speaks about those he played alongside and worked with in his time at Ibrox.

01 ALLY MCCOIST

Ally is a good manager and he joins in a lot in training – he might have retired from playing over ten years ago but he has still got an eye for goal. He creates a good atmosphere and likes to have a laugh and a joke but when it comes to matches he is as serious as can be. It's been a very difficult season at Rangers and he has handled everything very well.



02 IAN DURRANT

A lot of the backroom staff at Rangers is made up of former players who know what it means to represent the club. Ian's one of those that hates losing but I suppose that's because he is Rangers through and through. He's a very good coach and a good guy to go with it.

03 MAJID BOUGHERRA

Majid is now playing his football over in Dubai. He is one of those guys who is very laid back and takes everything in his stride. In some ways you can probably say that he is too relaxed and he does whatever he likes, however in this season he had a solid partnership with David Weir in central defence.



04 NIKICA JELAVIC

Nikica is an out and out goalscorer as he has shown so far since joining Everton. When he first came to Rangers he was a quiet guy but as soon as he got one or two goals he came out of his shell. As a winger, I just had to get crosses into the box and he would finish things off. Again, he is another who I have spoken to a few times since moving to Bolton because he is quite pally with Ivan Klasnic because they both play for the Croatia national team.

05 STEVEN NAISMITH

Steven is definitely one of the best players in the Rangers squad but he has been so unlucky with injuries over the past few seasons. He has hurt his cruciate ligament in both legs, most recently in October which has meant he has missed most of this season. If Scotland are going to achieve anything in the forthcoming years then we are going to need him fit and available.



06 WALTER SMITH

To be fair, I owe Walter a lot because he put faith in me and gave me my debut. If it wasn't for him, I wouldn't be where I am now. Any Rangers fan will have total admiration for the trophies that he won in his two spells with the club, particularly the second time he was there because he built a good squad with a tight budget. As well as winning honours domestically, he also took the club to the UEFA Cup final in 2008.



07 JAMES BEATTIE

Beatts is another one of those players that I still speak to. I'm good friends with Michael O'Halloran who is on loan at Sheffield United, and he gets a lift into training every day with Beatts. He was only on loan with us for the first half of this season but he played his part and he wanted to come back for all the end-of-year celebrations.

10 LEE MCCULLOCH

Lee is a warrior up front, your typical big, powerful striker. He is probably best remembered around this region from when he was at Wigan and when he helped them stay up on the final day by beating Sheffield United at Bramall Lane about five years ago. He joined Rangers after that and has led the line for a good number of seasons now.

08 ALLAN MCGREGOR

Like Kyle Lafferty, Greegs is another who is at the centre of all the banter in the dressing room. He has proven to be a very good goalkeeper and has been first choice at Rangers for a number of years now. It's no surprise to me that every summer he is linked with a move away to big clubs.

09 DAVID WEIR

Two words that describe David Weir is 'inspirational' and 'professional'. He is 42-years-old and is still going strong for Everton reserves – in fact, he played in a match against Bolton just a few weeks ago. I played alongside him for about 24 or 25 games at Rangers and he has such a big influence. He has phoned me a couple of times since I moved to England to ask how I'm settling in.

12 KYLE LAFFERTY

Kyle is the joker of that team. He's always one for having fun and a laugh off the field and if ever you were feeling a bit down, he was always there to pick you up and put you in a good mood. On the pitch, he is a great player. If you give him a chance inside the penalty box, more often than not it results in a goal.

11 GREGG WYLDE

That day was the best I've ever had in football. We went to Kilmarnock needing to get a win to secure the SPL title and we did it in style with a 5-1 victory – we were actually 3-0 up with just seven minutes played! We were away from home and the Rangers fans completely took over Rugby Park, filling three of the four stands. One thing you can tell by this photograph is that everyone was in it together. Even the guys in the suits who haven't played in that game were a part of it all and wanted to join in with the celebrations.

13 VLADIMIR WEISS

During this season, I played on the left wing and Vladimir played on the right. By the time this game came around, his loan spell from Manchester City had finished but he joined back up with the squad because he wanted to be involved in all the celebrations.

BOLTON WANDERERS AND:

BY MARK HEYS

Martin Petrov's recent penalties against Wolverhampton Wanderers and Aston Villa went a long way towards earning Bolton Wanderers six valuable points in their quest to stay in the Barclays Premier League availability.

The in-form Bulgarian winger dispatched comfortably from 12 yards out at Molineux and Villa Park to take his tally for the season to five goals. In this final issue of the 2011/12 campaign we take a look at some of the Wanderers past and present who had an uncanny knack of taking a good spot kick.



Given his status as Bolton's record goalscorer you would have expected that Nat Lofthouse would have taken a fair few penalties in his time at Burnden Park - but the fact is that the great centre-forward only converted from the spot four times with the rest of his 285 goals for the club coming from open play.

Instead full-back Lol Hamlett was given that particular set-piece responsibility by manager Walter Rowley after the war hostilities had ended, and seven from his nine goals in his time at Bolton came via penalties. Strangely, he failed to find the net at all for his next club Port Vale, this despite getting considerably more game time than he did whilst at Burnden Park.

Another legendary striker in Trotters history Joe Smith currently holds the record for most penalties scored by a



Bolton player with 40 - but it wasn't until a home game against Bradford City five years after first signing for the club that Smith was able to take penalties with Herbert Baverstock, Marshall McEwan and Jack Feebery all ahead of him in the pecking order when it came to facing the goalkeeper outright.

In more modern times, strike trio Francis Lee, Tony Philliskirk and John McGinlay have all proved to be more than useful when it comes to keeping a cool head.



Locally born Lee was still a teenager when he scored from the spot in wins over Arsenal and future employers Manchester City in 1962 but, perhaps more interesting, was a hat-trick against today's opponents West Bromwich Albion whereby two of his treble came from penalties yet still ended up on the losing side in a 5-4 defeat at the Hawthorns.

Philliskirk scored nine times from penalties for Bolton during the 1990/91 season and 22 times overall from spot-kicks in three years at the club, whilst predecessor McGinlay struck gold on the final day of the 1992/93 season when his late penalty against local rivals Preston North End earned Wanderers automatic promotion at the expense of Port Vale.



In fact, the last goals at Burnden Park and first goal at the Reebok Stadium came after the referee had blown up for a penalty. With the clock ticking down against Charlton Athletic in the Burnden swansong in April 1997, it was top scorer McGinlay who fired confidently past the Addicks custodian Andy Petterson and,

PENALTY TAKERS

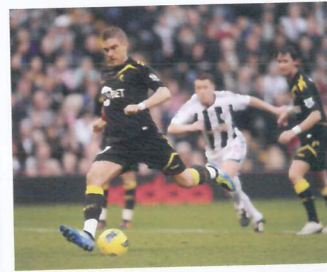
five months later, with the Reebok still glistening new, Alan Thompson stepped up and created history by outwitting future Wanderer Ian Walker against Tottenham Hotspur.

John Thomas, who played for both of today's teams, played a pivotal part in helping Bolton out of the Fourth Division in 1988 with 22 goals, and eight of those came from within the penalty box as he helped Wanderers claim five wins and two draws in their quest for promotion.

Thomas' former team-mate Steve Thompson is currently assisting Ian Holloway at Blackpool but in his nine years as a Wanderers player throughout the eighties he proved deadly from free-kicks and penalties with a lucky 13, including one against his current employers in the 1989 Sherpa Van Trophy Northern Area final which set up a Wembley date with Torquay United.



Ivan Klasnic and more notably Kevin Davies have joined Petrov from the current squad in successfully taking advantage of the penalty rule and the likes of Chris Eagles and Robbie Blake had been particularly competent from the spot whilst playing for the manager's previous club Burnley.



Other Bolton penalty kings of note from a bit further down the timeline include Jeff Chandler, Jack Milsom, Dean Holdsworth, Paul Jones, Terry Wharton and Don Howe.

MY MEMORY – WEST BROMWICH ALBION

It was a comeback which has, in hindsight, led to over a decade of Premier League football, but had Gudni Bergsson and Per Frandsen not rescued Bolton from defeat in a play-off semi-final against West Brom in May 2001 then the future could have shaped up much differently.

It was a glorious sunny spring day at the Hawthorns and Gary Megson's hosts looked to have got their noses in front in the tie thanks to their lethal strike partnership of Jason Roberts and Lee Hughes.

The second half introductions of veteran Ian Marshall and Frandsen galvanised Bolton and the tie slipped from Albion's grasp in the last ten minutes with two late Bolton goals.

Wanderers finished off the job comfortably a few days later at the Reebok where goals from Bergsson, Ricardo Gardner and Michael Ricketts in a 3-0 win booked a place at the Millennium Stadium against Preston.



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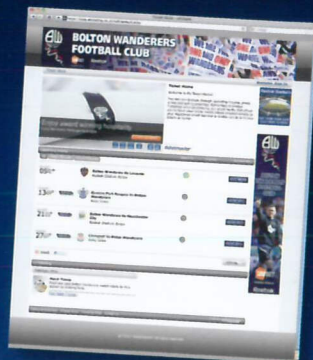
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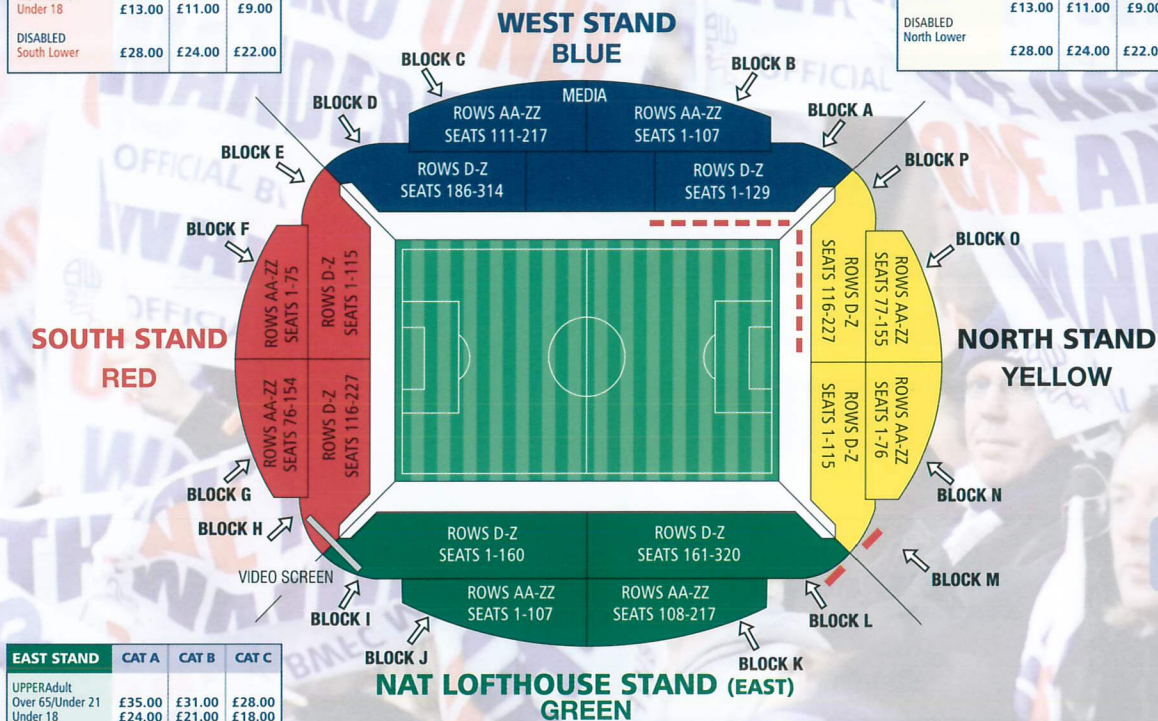


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The final away game of the season sees Bolton travel to the Britannia Stadium, home of Stoke City, on Sunday 13 May. Coaches will be leaving the Reebok Stadium from Car Park A at midday.

Travel tickets are £13 each and can be purchased from Bolton Central or by calling 0844 871 2932.

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Thanks also to you, our travelling supporters, who have turned out in force this season with the Official Travel Club to watch the Wanderers away from home. The support has been amazing and everyone looks forward to the away matches next season.

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SUPPORTERS' STORIES

THE MEN IN WHITE

By Hannah Ingram



Gone are the days when you'd have to hang around outside Burden Park for someone leaving the ground to tell you the final score – that is, if you weren't lucky enough to be inside.

Advances in technology mean that following the Wanderers around the country is even faster and more interactive, sparking an idea between friends Chris Parr and Geoff Moss.

Web specialist Geoff and journalist Chris created The Men In White website (www.themeninwhite.com) together and have recently celebrated their first year of podcasting and blogging.

Both men initially became Bolton fans in strange circumstances, after they both witnessed below-par matches as their first Wanderers experience.

"My first game was in the 1990/91 season at Burnden Park," recalls Chris, 28. "We lost 0-1 against Bradford. It was the worst game of football my dad had ever seen and a terrible result. I was hooked."

Geoff, 33, admittedly came into the Bolton fold a few years later after his dad apparently 'lured' him into following his team.

"I went to Crystal Palace away for my first match, if I remember rightly," says Geoff. "I recall thinking the matchday experience was fantastic, even if

our football wasn't that day – it was a humdrum 1-1 draw."

The Men In White podcast came about after Chris and Geoff wanted a way of recording songs from the stands, starting with Newcastle away last season.

"We were playing around, singing some Bolton chants with a guitar ahead of last season's game – a couple of our mates are Newcastle fans and we were shouting them down," says Chris. "Then we thought it'd be a good idea to record the daft songs we were singing, and it developed from there."

"I seem to recall they were complaining about our 'Burnden Aces' version of 'The Blaydon Races'," adds Geoff.

The website has a section entitled 'Folking Marvellous' which contains classic Wanderers chants and new lyrical developments. They also light-heartedly poke fun at some of the songs that have circled Burnden Park and the Reebok Stadium in recent years.

Creating regular podcasts allows Chris and Geoff to discuss the important matters for Bolton fans across the globe, but they admit their banter can depend on the Wanderers' current form.

"Whether we enjoy it or it becomes a labour of love depends on the results!" says Chris.

"We try to always be as positive and upbeat as possible – that's easy if we've just beaten Liverpool, but if we've lost to Wigan, much less so."

"When the team has been on a bit of a run, making the podcast has been great fun," agrees Geoff. "It's also a boost when we get to interview players on the show, as we have with Sam Ricketts and Adam Bogdan. Talking to the players you're used to watching is great fun for us!"

Their combined skills saw their website reach its one-year milestone recently, so as Chris and Geoff look back, there's understandably an element of pride.

"We never knew how long it would last, so it feels great to have continually gained new listeners and started working more closely with the club. We're proud of the podcast, and pleased it's shown some longevity," says Chris.

Following a tough season on the pitch for Bolton, Geoff is just glad the site's podcasts and blogs have done their job for the fans in the stands.

"If we've managed to give a few Bolton fans some entertainment over the year, particularly when the results haven't gone in our favour, then that's fantastic for us," he adds.

"Onto the next year – come on you whites!"

Keep in touch with Chris and Geoff over the summer on Facebook (The Men In White) and Twitter (@themeninwhite). You can even buy them a celebratory one-year anniversary drink on the website – just click 'buy us a pint?'

THE FOOTBALL TALKING POINT

By Hannah Ingram

Q: AS SIMULATION SEEMS TO BE EVER PRESENT IN THE GAME, SHOULD THERE BE HARSHER PUNISHMENTS FOR PLAYERS WHO DO IT? HOW WOULD YOU STAMP IT OUT?

THE PUNDIT – DAN WALKER, BBC FOOTBALL FOCUS

There are few things more annoying in professional sport than 'fakery'.

You can let it go in WWE where Hulk Hogan made a living from pretending that The Ultimate Warrior's fingernails really did bring him close to tears, but we don't want to see it on the football pitch.

It robs opponents of a fair game, fans of a fair spectacle and referees of a fair chance of making the right decision – their job is hard enough as it is.

I always feel harsh punishments are the answer to these sort of things and a retrospective three-match ban for anyone found guilty of simulation would soon bring an end to aggravating histrionics.



THE JOURNALIST – ROB DAWSON, MEN SPORT

The only way you're going to stamp out diving is with harsher punishments. It would be ideal if clubs could get rid of it themselves by speaking to players but, with the stakes so high, there's not a manager in the world who hasn't thought, 'he should have gone down then' at some point or another.

Referees do their best to book players for simulation but the game is so fast now that it's hard for them to make a snap decision.

The best way forward is for the FA to set up a panel to hand out retrospective punishments. If players were getting suspended, or more radically clubs were being deducted points, they wouldn't do it anymore.



THE FAN – PAUL CROOK, BOLTON WANDERERS FAN

Applying harsher punishments is the only way to stop players from diving. This couldn't necessarily come from the referee, who only gets one look at the incident and from one angle.

The speed the game is played at means referees have a very hard job, but the FA will have all the video evidence and they can look at the incident properly afterwards.

Everybody can see when somebody has dived when they watch games on TV, so I'd think about giving them a one-game ban straightaway.

If players know they will get banned after the incident, they might think twice about going down so easily.





MUAMBA 6

Fabrice Returns To The Reebok

Fabrice Muamba made an emotional return to the Reebok Stadium on Wednesday evening when he attended Bolton Wanderers' home Premier League fixture against Tottenham Hotspur.

The midfielder was back around his team-mates as he watched the Whites play for the first time since suffering a cardiac arrest at White Hart Lane seven weeks ago.

As the atmosphere inside the Reebok intensified in the moments leading up to kick-off, Fabrice made an appearance on the pitch, shortly before the players were due out of the tunnel.

And in an overwhelming show of support, every single one of the 23,000 fans attending the game stood up and applauded the 24-year-old whilst repeatedly chanting 'Fabrice Muamba'.

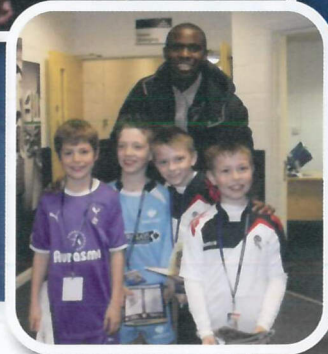
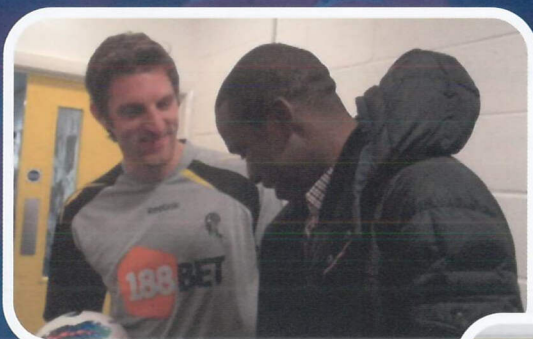
During the match, Muamba sat alongside Chairman Phil Gartside in the Directors' box.

Speaking before kick-off, Muamba said: "It's a special place - anyone who has played for this club knows that.

"I'm glad I came today, I really wanted to come and support the boys. I'm happy to be back, I'm happy to see the fans outside and for the support I got.

"Thank you from the bottom of my heart, thank you for your support - not just the Bolton fans, the whole country.

"I'm grateful I can walk again and do things normally again. My message is thank you."







TEAM BEHIND THE TEAM

MEET GLORIA, ONE OF A NUMBER OF THE CLUB'S UNSUNG HEROES

First team boss Owen Coyle is always quick to stress that the football club is very much united in a collective effort.

As much as the players on the pitch are very much in the spotlight, a number of unsung heroes are central to ensuring the smooth and efficient running of day-to-day operations.



Gloria Astley, a key member of Tony McGrory's kit team, is without doubt one of those.

Working alongside Tony and fellow kitman Mike Clitheroe, Gloria is responsible for ensuring that players of all ages and affiliations at Bolton Wanderers can arrive at work, be it to training sessions or matches, to fresh and clean attire.

"This is my third season at the club," the modest Gloria explains. "I initially saw the job advertised and I've always loved Bolton Wanderers so it seemed like the perfect opportunity. I applied, but narrowly missed out.

"The following season the job became available again and I received a call from the club offering me it. I jumped at the chance to work here.

"It's not a glamorous job and it's hard work in winter given the sheer volume of kit that comes through, but you can't help but enjoy it.

"It's a dream job. I love being in and around the staff and players and can't quite believe it given that I've supported the club since I was 14.

"It's not just the first team and reserves' kit we sort out, but all of the academy right down to the younger age groups.



"Not only do we do match kit, but then there's all the stuff that comes from training sessions every day. The players have to have fresh kit to train in. It's our job to ensure that happens.

"I'll usually come into work at the training ground at about midday. The first thing I do is head to the changing rooms and load all of the trolleys up with the dirty kit and get it into the washing machines.

"Then it's a case of folding and putting away the previous day's kit, then transferring the wet washing into the dryers. It's a constant cycle.

"The players are good fun. You have to have a good sense of humour to get on with them, but they're a great bunch of lads.

"All of the coaching staff are brilliant too. It's true what they say, it really is a family club."

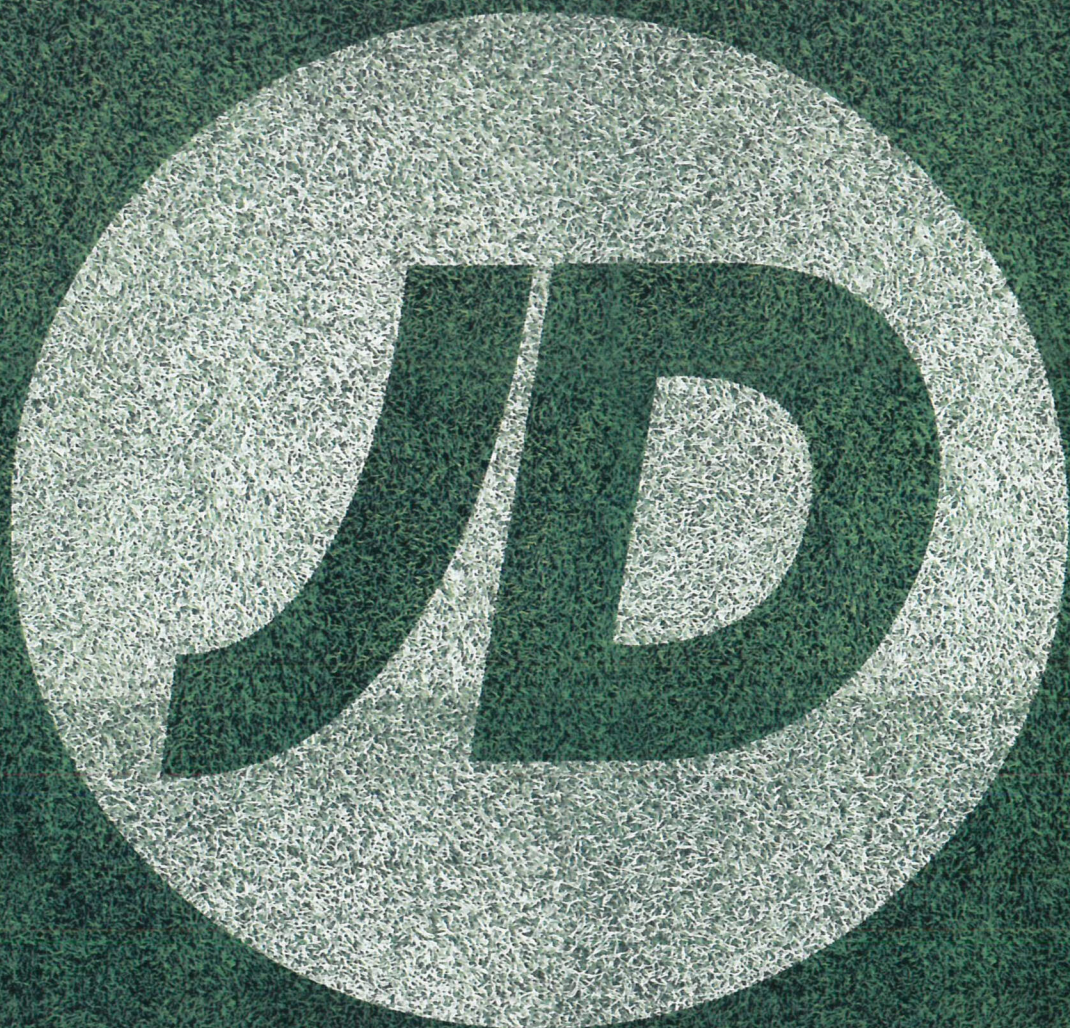
Keep up the good work Gloria!

Kit Manager Tony McGrory speaks about Gloria's contributions:

"Gloria is a key part of the kit team. She's the one that has to do the washing through rain and shine and makes sure everything looks spick and span.

"She's Bolton through-and-through and a season ticket holder, so she takes pride in seeing the lads running around in clean kit.

"She's a real gem of a person who is always there working hard."



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Hermione Bone

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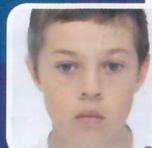
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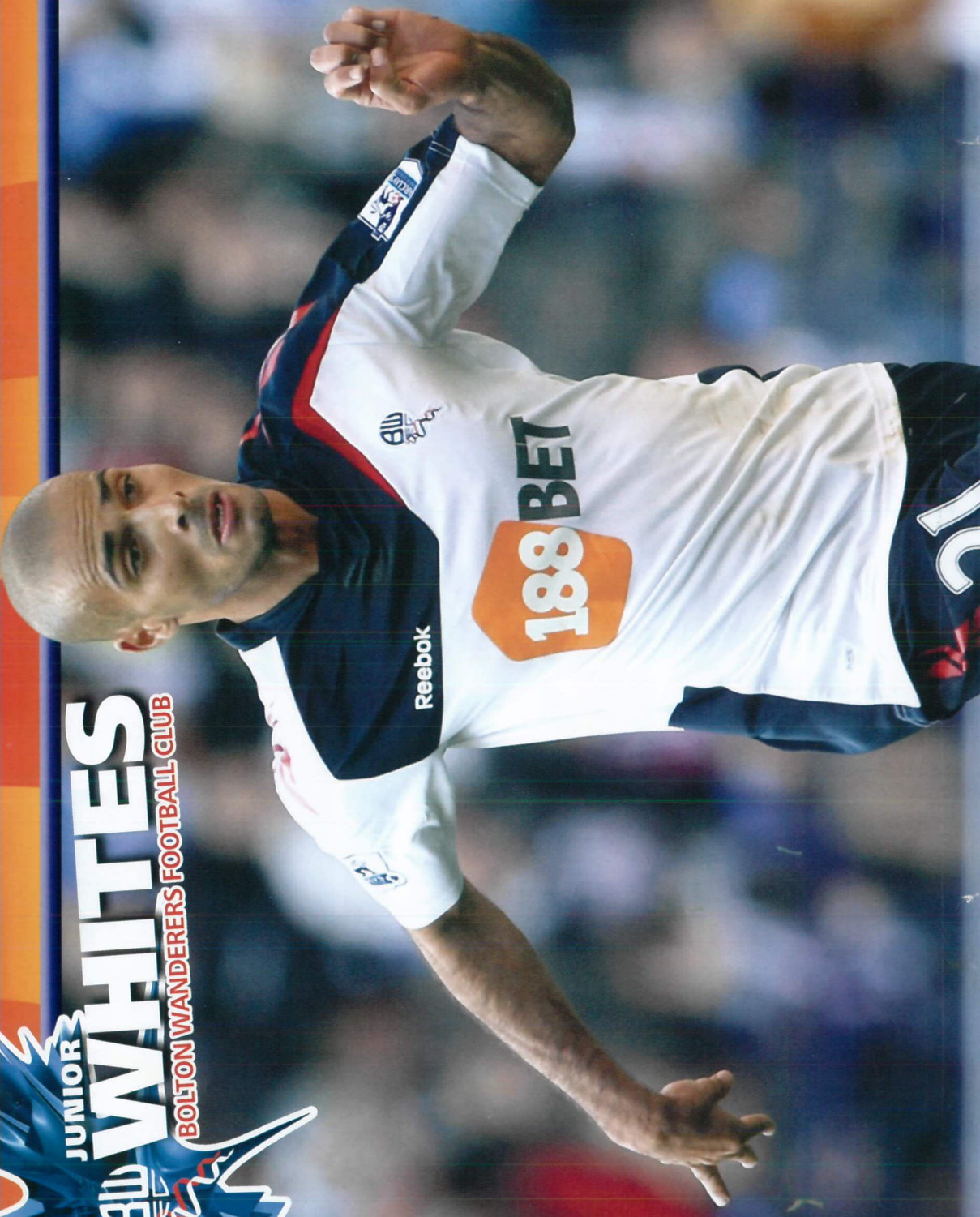


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THE JADE ASSEMBLY

Bolton-based indie band The Jade Assembly are putting together the final touches on their debut album 'Rock And Roll Nearly Killed Me'.

It has been a busy 12 months for the four-piece group who have increased their profile by appearing on the music documentary Manchester Beyond Oasis and ITV's popular show Scott and Bailey.

The Jade Assembly are also vying for a place at the Beach Break Live Festival in South Wales at the start of June where they could be performing alongside Chase and Status, The Maccabees, Labrinth and Dizzee Rascal.

Local music enthusiasts can also see The Jade Assembly live at Scotts Bar next to the Reebok Stadium on Saturday 9 June from 7pm.



KERRY 'HOPING' TO PUT BOLTON ON THE WORLD MAP

Bolton Wanderers welcomed local boxer Kerry Hope to the Reebok Stadium in midweek as he helped to conduct the half-time Golden Gamble draw.

The middleweight fighter grew up in Merthyr Tydfil in Wales and began his career in 2001, training alongside Joe Calzaghe.

In 2009, Hope decided to move his training camp to Bolton, where he still trains at Elite Gym on Spa Road with respected trainer Karl Ince.

He boasts a formidable record since moving to the North-West and has yet to lose a fight since relocating.

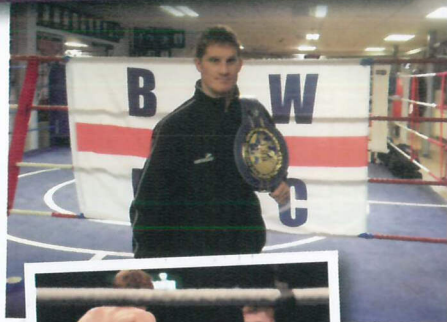
Hope, who lives in Deane, is a proud Bolton Wanderers supporter and wears the club crest on his shorts in all his fights

On the 17 March, the opportunity arose for Hope to fight the unbeaten European champion Grzegorz Proksa.

However, in the Motorpoint Arena, Sheffield on the Kell Brook v Matthew Hatton Sky Sports undercard, Hope fought the fight of his life and won by a majority decision.

What made the victory even more special was that Kerry had to miss the birth of his daughter just before the fight took place!

Hope will now be fighting Proksa again in Sheffield on the 7 July, and providing he wins, once again a world title shot will be very close to follow.



BOLTON WANDERERS

COACHING DUO'S SEASON REVIEW

David Lee and Tony Kelly look back on a successful year for Bolton Wanderers Under-18.

Bolton Wanderers' Under-18s side have completed a successful season which has seen a number of their players graduate through the youth system to reserve team football.

The 2-2 draw with Middlesbrough two weeks ago saw the Trotters end the season with a solid mid-table finish after an impressive run of results post-Christmas.

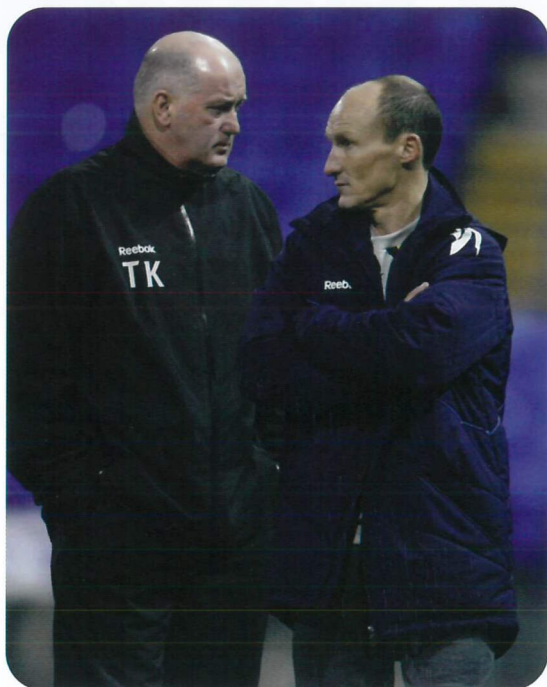
Only three defeats since the start of January resulted in Bolton climbing the Premier Division Academy Group C table, and coach David Lee is satisfied with the progress his side has made as he looks back over his second year in charge of the scholars.

"We've had a good season and the kids have really enjoyed some of the results," he said.

"From a coach's perspective you look at the lads who have progressed into the reserves and we've had six players who have featured for John Henry's second string this season.

"Someone like Andrew Kellett has only played for the youth team once or twice this season because he's constantly been in the reserves.

"I gauge that as progress because I look further than the league table. From the team's point of view it's been very productive and you just



have to look at the likes of Josh Vela, who has played in the first team."

Lee was also quick to praise the younger scholars who have featured during the campaign and he hopes it stands them in good stead for the future.

He said: "When the lads from the Under-16s are being put into the Under-18s it's another sign of

progression. There are four or five boys who have played in the youth team who will be scholars next season so they have already had a taste of it.

"Hopefully now they are integrated into the team they are ready for a full season and the mental and physical demands that come with that.

"In all we're going to have eight new scholars for next season but we have got room for another couple if people impress us. Those who are signed are now ready to start their training programme on July 5 when



By Tom Maston

ACADEMY

preparation for the new season starts all over again."

Former Wanderers midfielder Lee has seen a number of Academy graduates progress to the Bolton Wanderers first team this season.

He believes the performances of Joe Riley and Vela should spur the younger players on to try and succeed.

"If the manager sees that a player has got the talent and has had a good coaching base from a young age he has shown he has no hesitation in putting young players in. That means there is an incentive for the lads to do well.

"It's a great advertisement for Bolton Wanderers. It means that we can try and get the players who might want to go to some of the bigger clubs because they will see that they have got a realistic chance of playing in the first team here, where they might not at other clubs."

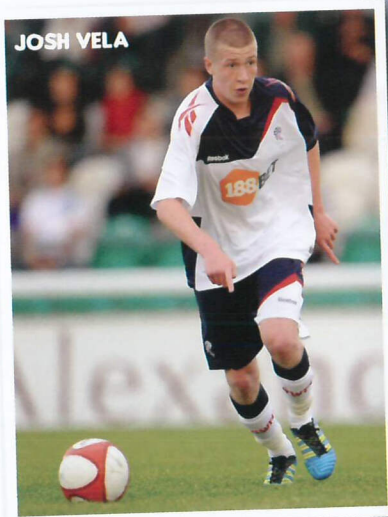
Assistant Academy Coach Tony Kelly also reflected on a year of progress in the Under-18s setup, recalling one particular highlight.

He said: "The lads had a couple of decent results against Manchester United but the win at Liverpool was particularly pleasing.

"We won 2-1 and beating a club of that size gave the players some deserved exposure. The game was broadcast live on Liverpool TV too, so quite a few people got to watch it.

"We've had a young team all season and I've enjoyed working with the lads. Like David says, a few of the players have moved up through to the reserves to work with John Henry's development squad and that's how we measure the progress."

The Academy players will now have a similar break to that of the first team before they arrive back at the training ground at the start of July, ready for the start of the 2012/13 campaign.



FIXTURES AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENTS	V	RESULT	
2011			F	A
20 AUG	LEICESTER CITY	H	3	4
27 AUG	BRISTOL CITY	A	2	0
3 SEP	SHEFFIELD UNITED	H	0	2
10 SEP	DERBY COUNTY	A	1	2
17 SEP	SUNDERLAND	H	1	2
24 SEP	EVERTON	A	1	1
1 OCT	WOLVERHAMPTON W.	H	2	1
8 OCT	STOKE CITY	A	1	2
15 OCT	WEST BROMWICH A.	H	0	1
29 OCT	BLACKBURN ROVERS	A	1	2
5 NOV	MANCHESTER UNITED	H	1	2
12 NOV	LIVERPOOL	A	2	1
19 NOV	CREWE ALEXANDRA	A	1	2
3 DEC	MANCHESTER CITY	H	2	3
7 DEC	OXFORD UNITED (FAYC)	A	2	1
10 DEC	WEST BROMWICH A.	A	1	4
2012				
7 JAN	MANCHESTER UNITED	A	3	3
11 JAN	SOUTHAMPTON (FAYC)	H	1	2
21 JAN	CREWE ALEXANDRA	H	2	1
28 JAN	MANCHESTER CITY	A	3	0
4 FEB	LIVERPOOL	H	2	1
18 FEB	WOLVERHAMPTON W.	A	3	3
25 FEB	STOKE CITY	H	1	3
3 MAR	LEEDS UNITED	A	2	1
10 MAR	NEWCASTLE UNITED	H	1	0
14 MAR	EVERTON	H	0	3
17 MAR	NOTTINGHAM FOREST	A	0	0
24 MAR	BLACKBURN ROVERS	H	1	2
31 MAR	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	H	2	0
21 APR	MIDDLESBROUGH	A	2	2





WHERE ARE THEY NOW? JOHN THOMAS

'JT' SPEAKS ABOUT HIS GOALSCORING EXPLOITS AT BURNDEN PARK AND HIS CURRENT ROLE AT THE FOOTBALL CLUB ON A MATCHDAY

He might have been born and raised in the Black Country but, by his own admission, John Thomas is now Bolton through and through.

The former Whites striker, who also represented today's opponents West Bromwich Albion, has cult status amongst Wanderers supporters for his exploits at Burnden Park during two spells in the 1980s.

In the final issue of this season's official matchday programme, 'JT' looks back on his time in football, starting with how he got his first break with Bolton.

"I was originally a carpenter after I left school before I signed for Everton. They let me go in the summer 1980 and I signed for Bolton on Brian Kidd's recommendation," says the 53-year-old.

"I had a one-year contract and made my debut in the December of that year but things didn't really work out in that first spell.

"There were a lot of players who I would classify as big name stars, such as Neil Whatmore, Peter Reid and Jim McDonagh and it was hard to force myself into the team.

"One thing I can say about my first spell at Burnden is that I scored the club's 5,000th league goal against Grimsby in 1981. There's a photo of that goal somewhere with me getting to the ball before just before Dean Crombie, who later became a team-mate of mine. I always like to remind him of it whenever I see him!

"On the whole, I didn't play that many matches and spent a lot of the time out injured and I ended up getting released. I went to Chester and then on to Lincoln before having a couple of seasons with Preston North End."

It was after leaving Burnden that Thomas soon began to establish himself as a clinical goalscorer.

With Chester he bagged 20 goals in 44 league matches during the 1982/83 campaign, whilst he averaged a goal every three matches in his two years at Sincil Bank.

Back in the North West at Deepdale, Thomas's fine record continued. Between the summers of 1985 and 1987 he scored 38 goals in 78 league games for the Lilywhites.

He was hot property and Bolton, for a second time in his career, wanted his services.

"I was about 28-years-old when I rejoined Bolton after Phil Neal had spent £25,000 to sign me," Thomas said.

"I had just got promotion with Preston but because I had been at Bolton before and knew how good the club was, I didn't need it selling to me.

"We were in the Fourth Division and the aim was simple – to get promoted at the first attempt. We did that by winning at Wrexham on the last day of the season in a game fans will remember fondly with Robbie Savage getting the winner.

"It was a bittersweet day because I actually got sent-off. I firstly got a harsh booking for a late tackle and then in the second half I stopped a quick free-kick from getting taken. That was me receiving my marching orders.

"It was the longest ten minutes of my life, sat in the dressing room waiting for the final whistle. But once full-time came around, the scenes were great. The Bolton fans invaded the pitch and celebrated, and the players joined in with them!



THOMAS SCORES BOLTON'S 5000TH LEAGUE GOAL AGAINST GRIMSBY IN 1981



"The next season, in 1988/89, I had a couple of niggling injuries so I didn't play as much as I would have liked. We had a good unbeaten run towards the end of the year of about 20 games which helped us finish in mid-table.

"There was obviously the Sherpa Van Trophy win over Torquay too, which brought about some fantastic memories. I was a football fan who was lucky enough to become a footballer, so to play at Wembley was something special, especially getting the 4-1 win as well.

That final appearance proved to be Thomas's last game for Bolton as in the summer of 1989, Thomas was offered the opportunity to move to West Bromwich Albion – and it was one he wasn't prepared to turn down.

He had grown up in Wednesbury, just a few miles down the road from the Hawthorns, where he used to cheer on the Baggies on the terraces of the Birmingham Road Stand.

"It was great for me to get the move to West Brom because it was like going back home," he recalled.

"I was about 31 or 32 years-old when I joined. Bolton were in the Third Division at that time and West Brom were in the Second, so I viewed it as a step up.

"I'd followed Albion for a number of years whilst I was growing up in the mid-1970s. Johnny Giles was the manager when I was a kid and he took them up to the First Division. Before then I'd watched Jeff Astle, who was my hero, scored lots of goals.

"So it was great to play for the team that I supported and moving back there meant that my parents were able to see their grandchildren more often.

"Brian Talbot was the manager and Sam Allardyce took the reserve side. The players I lined up alongside including the likes of Colin West, Don Goodman and Gary Robson, who was the brother of former Manchester United midfielder Bryan.

"In one of my first games I did score a hat-trick away at Bradford in the League Cup. It was quite significant too because it meant that we went through on away goals.

"I only had the one season there though. I found it hard to break into the team at first and I made most of my appearances from the bench. The manager always said that whenever I came on I would change a game, but he would never pick me from the start!"

After playing just the solitary season in the West Midlands, Thomas was on the move again as he started to wind down his playing days.

He returned for a second stint with Preston North End and then represented Hartlepool United and Halifax Town before hanging up his boots in 1994.

Over two decades might have passed since Thomas played for Bolton, but he is still very much part of the club and is regularly seen around the Reebok Stadium on a matchday.

Speaking about life after football, Thomas said: "Before I packed in playing, I started a job selling sportswear to retailers.

"Once I retired I moved into that profession full-time and have been doing that ever since. My wife also runs a flower company and I help out with deliveries too.

"For the last five years I have also worked as a corporate host on matchdays in the Lion of Vienna Suite. I enjoy being around the club and meeting other fans because I am one of them.

"I have attended about ten away matches this season, cheering on the team. I've enjoyed it recently because we have had some good results down at Wolves and Aston Villa.

"Hopefully we can get another next weekend at Stoke City."



THOMAS (LEFT) GETS READY TO CHEER ON BOLTON AHEAD OF THE RECENT WIN AT ASTON VILLA

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Finally don't forget to check out our official eBay account officialbwfc. We are always adding new items to the site especially as the season draws to a close so make sure you check us out on a weekly basis.



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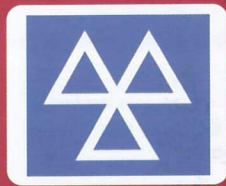
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'ONE GAME BOLTON' PUTS GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL FIRST

The Bolton Wanderers Community Trust played host to Kick It Out's 'One Game Bolton' last week, a community forum aimed at showcasing local grassroots football initiatives and the importance of equality and inclusion at the elite level of the game.

The event kicked-off with a presentation by Bolton Wanderers Community Trust on how they link in to grassroots football and other community groups, following on from this the open discussion took place.

Stuart Holden, Wanderers' Kick It Out ambassador, former Hull City boss and Trotters assistant manager Phil Brown, Bury defender Efe Sodje, former Juventus and Stoke City striker Vincent Pericard and ex-England international Earl Barrett made up the panel for the forum, where they were quizzed by attendees about their experiences in the game. The event provided the chance to get an insight into how they could partner up with local community groups, as well as the club itself.

The breadth and depth of Kick It Out's work was discussed, such as the endemic issue of homophobia in the game, how far English football has come since the dark days of the 70s and 80s, when terrace racism went unchecked, and how crucial the club is to the local community it serves.

Particular emphasis was given to the welfare of foreign players. Vincent Pericard's talked about looking at how players from overseas can effectively 'bed in' to their new club surroundings, and in turn improve their chances of making an impact on the field.

Stuart Holden spoke about the difficulty of having to adapt to different cultures for certain professional footballers.

Holden said: "I was born in Scotland, but grew up in America, and it was difficult for me to move away from family. It's very difficult for overseas players who can't bring their family with them and the culture and banter can be hard to get used to. It's difficult in every way to be away from home. It was when I settled into the Bolton Wanderers family that I felt truly settled here."



Agreeing with Holden's outlook, Brown, talked about his experiences as part of the management team when it comes to foreign players.

Brown said: "It's very important to the club that the player settles in as well, because of their investment, and it crucial to help this process otherwise the club can fail the player. We had a player liaison officer and we were one of the first to do this, but it was very important to get the best out of the players, and helping them feel at home and comfortable in their surroundings is crucial to make that happen."



"It is very important to have someone independent you are comfortable with," said Pericard, who moved from France to Italy as a professional as a teen. "This can be inside or outside the club but someone that they can use as a sounding board and they can trust in, and to talk about a variety of issues."

Brown continued: "As a manager too, it's crucial that a player settles in as well, because of the investment. If not, the club can fail the player. We had a player liaison officer here at Bolton and we were one of the first to do this, but it was very important to get the best out of the players, and helping them feel at home and comfortable in their surroundings is crucial to make that happen."

Ben Laycock from BWCT said: "This event was the first of many, the panel we had was full of quality people who could offer real insight into the professional game and relate this to grassroots level".

FLASHBACK – THE HISTORIC 1981/82 SEASON

BY MARTIN DEAN

ALMOST 30 YEARS AGO TO THE DAY, BOLTON WANDERERS WERE INVOLVED IN A RELEGATION BATTLE SIMILAR TO THE ONE BEING EXPERIENCED AT PRESENT. HERE'S A LOOK BACK TO THE CLUB'S SUCCESSFUL FIGHT FOR SURVIVAL IN THE SPRING OF 1982.

It was the 1981/82 season and Bolton Wanderers were in grave danger of being relegated to Division Three.

George Mulhall was installed as Stan Anderson's managerial replacement at the start of the campaign, after the previous season had also ended in an all too nervy battle to beat the drop.

Two major transfers came when Jim McDonagh returned to Burnden Park in a deal that took Mike Walsh to Everton, whilst Neil Whatmore, one of only a band of men to score over 100 goals for the Whites, made a move to Birmingham City for a then club record £340,000.

TONY HENRY



After an indifferent start to the campaign, Mulhall added Tony Henry, a £125,000 recruit from Manchester City, ex-England full-back Steve Whitworth, formerly of Leicester City, and Jeff Chandler, who arrived from Leeds United for £40,000.

Season highlights were few and far between until around Easter time.

A good festive period saw Wanderers go five games unbeaten at Burnden Park, chalking up three wins and two draws. Bolton's new undersoil heating meant the club were able to take advantage of other fixture postponements and gain ground on their rivals.

After Brian Kidd, Peter Nicholson, Ian Brennan and Peter Reid had all spent time on the treatment table, Mulhall was forced to field a number of his younger players. Wayne Foster, David Hoggan and Mike Bennett were all thrust into the team in difficult circumstances. Mulhall's team was constantly changing, using 25 players in days when clubs only named one substitute.

The Easter of 1982 again brought mixed fortunes, with wins against Wrexham and Blackburn Rovers followed by a crushing 3-0 defeat away at rock-bottom Orient and a dour 0-0 home draw against fellow strugglers Crystal Palace.

The scene was set. Four games to go - two away and two at home. In most Bolton fans' eyes at the time, it really did look

grim. Wanderers faced two away trips to London and hadn't won in the capital since 1978.

Mulhall remarked before the trip down south: "Results can go our way as all clubs are like ourselves, finding it terribly difficult to hit any kind of consistency."

Charlton Athletic were the first opponents on a Wednesday night, a game that ended in a narrow 1-0 defeat.

The club decided it would be an ideal opportunity to stay down in the capital for a couple of days to train on QPR's artificial pitch at Loftus Road ahead Saturday's game. Bolton were thrashed 7-1 by QPR.

But with two games to go, both at home, Wanderers still had a chance.

Derby County were the first to visit Burnden on a Tuesday night. The Wanderers line up was: McDonagh, Whitworth, Bennett, Henry, Jones, Doyle, Chandler, Hoggan, Gowling, Reid, Thompson (C) Sub: Foster.

Bolton had to win that game and defeat Sheffield Wednesday in their next match to stand any chance of staying up.

In one of the most important games in the history of Bolton Wanderers, the motto 'Supra Moras - overcome all difficulties' was bandied around the local press.

Leading goalscorer Tony Henry had equalised for Wanderers on the hour mark and with scores all square at 2-2, the tension was almost unbearable for the 5,226 crowd.

As the clock ran down the Wanderers had given it their all, experience and youth working in tandem. The game was deep in injury time when Chris Thompson hit the winner. There wasn't even time for the restart and Bolton were still alive.

It was credit to the players, with Mulhall adding: "I am not an excitable person but, when the ball hit the net I leapt from the dugout and I have not done that since we won promotion at Blackburn in that now famous victory back in 1978."

There were 11 heroes on that pitch that day. All it needed now was one more fighting win to give Bolton a chance. The last fixture brought promotion-chasing Sheffield Wednesday to Burnden. The same team was again put to the task of saving the Whites.

It came down to the wire. The most important game of the season resulted in a 3-1 victory over Sheffield Wednesday, managed by England World Cup winner Jack Charlton, with Jeff Chandler, Alan Gowling and Tony Henry scoring the all-important goals.

BOLTON WANDERERS F.C. 1981/1982

This was an essential win that helped stave off relegation. Cardiff City were now the only team to do battle and they had two games to play and had to win both.

They initially defeat Grimsby Town 1-0.

With one game to play, the already crowned Second Division champions Luton Town were the visitors to South Wales.

All Bolton fans could do was listen on Radio Wales. Luton did the business, winning 3-2, confining the Bluebirds to relegation to Division Three.

A lot of credit goes to Mulhall under very difficult circumstances. The canny old Scotsman remarked at the time: "Time and time again, you, the fans have given us a timely boost".



Back Row (left to right): Mike Bennett, David Kay, Barry Taylor, Wayne Foster, Brian Atherton, John Thomas, David Hoggan. Middle Row (left to right): Charlie Wright (Coach), Peter Nightingale (Physio), Neil Berry, Chris Thompson, Peter Nicholson, Dennis Peacock, Simon Farnworth, Jim McDonagh, Gerry McElhinney, Paul Jones, Ian Brennan, George Mulhall (Manager), Walter Joyce (Coach). Front Row (left to right): Dusan Nikolic, Mike Carter, Alan Gowling, Len Cantello, Neil Whatmore, Peter Reid.

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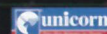
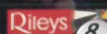
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MANAGERIAL RECORDS

Owen Coyle

Played 93 Won 28 Drawn 17 Lost 48
For 109 Against 156

Av Pts/game 1.09

Biggest Win(s) Bolton 5 Stoke 0
(06/11/2011). Biggest Loss(es) Bolton
0 Man Utd 5 (10/09/2011).

Roy Hodgson

Played 48 Won 18 Drawn 12 Lost 18
For 63 Against 67

Av Pts/game 1.38

Biggest Win(s) Wolves 1 West Brom 5
(12/02/2012). Biggest Loss(es) Man
City 4 West Brom 0 (11/04/2012).

MANAGER HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played6 Owen Coyle1 Roy Hodgson3
Draws2 Goals 4 Goals 6

Player with the most...

shots

Chris
Eagles 74

shots on target

Chris
Eagles 51

shots off target

Chris
Eagles 23

assists

Martin
Petrov 8

crosses

Martin
Petrov 100

fouls

David
Ngog 54

free-kicks-won

David
Ngog 46

tackles

Nigel
Reo-Coker 103



Player with the most...

shots

Peter
Odemwingie 65

shots on target

Peter
Odemwingie 37

shots off target

Peter
Odemwingie 28

assists

Chris
Brunt 8

crosses

Chris
Brunt 76

fouls

Youssef
Mulumbu 52

free-kicks-won

Jerome
Thomas 47

tackles

Youssef
Mulumbu 90

GAMES SINCE

1	a win	1
2	a home win	1
1	an away win	0
3	a defeat	3
1	a home defeat	3
2	an away defeat	1
0	a score draw	7
14	a no score draw	0
0	conceding a goal	3
0	scoring a goal	1
0	conceding > 1	3
0	scoring > 1	4
11	keeping a clean sheet	0
3	failing to score	0
7	back to back wins	1
3	back to back defeats	5
0	gaining a point	0
0	losing a point	0
11	win by > one	4
3	loss by > one	3

SHARP SHOOTERS

Bolton	Prem	Cup	Tot	West Brom	Prem	Cup	Tot
Ivan Klasnic	8	1	9	Peter Odemwingie	10	1	11
Kevin Davies	5	2	7	Shane Long	7	0	7
Chris Eagles	4	2	6	Marc-Antoine Fortune	2	3	5
Martin Petrov	3	2	5	James Morrison	4	0	4
David Ngog	3	1	4	Simon Cox	0	4	4

TEAM HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

Played133 Bolton wins47 West Brom wins43
Draws43 Goals 212 (1.6 per game) Goals 189 (1.4 per game)
0-0's8 Times failed to score 30 Times failed to score 36

Biggest League win at Bolton for each team:

07/12/1889 Bolton 7-0 West Brom

07/04/1894 Bolton 0-3 West Brom

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PLAYER PERFORMANCE INDEX

BOLTON

Rank	Name	Score
79	M Davies	355
103	N Reo-Coker	324
130	M Petrov	295
155	D Wheater	263
177	I Klasnic	240

WEST BROM

Rank	Name	Score
46	B Foster	403
56	J Olsson	388
58	G McAuley	387
93	Y Mulumbu	337
106	P Odemwingie	322

Top five ranked players for each team

LEAGUE STATS



18	Position	10
35	Played	36
10	Won	13
4	Drawn	7
21	Lost	16
41	Goals For	41
69	Goals Against	47
34	Points	46



Record Against Top Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
2	1	15	19	3	3	11	16

Record Against Bottom Half of Table

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
8	3	6	13	10	4	5	7

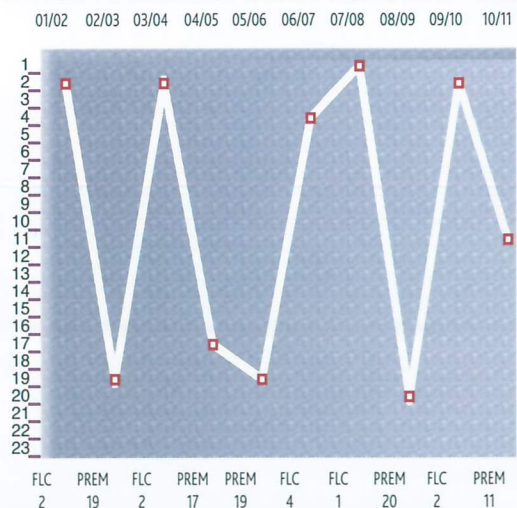
Record When Scoring First

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
7	2	0	18	12	1	4	9

Record When Conceding First

W	D	L	RANK	W	D	L	RANK
3	1	21	5	1	3	12	16

WEST BROM - TEN SEASON RECORD



*up to and including 30/04/2012

THIS WEEK AT WANDERERS

By Robert Urbani



Each issue the official matchday programme explores Bolton Wanderers stories and events from yesteryear which made the headlines during that respective week

MAY 3, 1997

Bolton drew their last game of their promotion-winning season 2-2 at Tranmere Rovers with former Middlesbrough midfielder Jamie Pollock scoring the club's 100th goal of the campaign. John McGinlay had earlier netted his 30th goal of the season. The draw prevented Wanderers from finishing on 100 points as they had to settle for 98 instead.



MAY 7, 2000



Dean Holdsworth's 70th minute free-kick ensured Bolton entered the Division One play-offs in good form after beating Norwich 1-0. The following weekend, Sam Allardyce's side drew 2-2 with Ipswich Town in the first leg before they were edged out 5-3 in the return leg at Portman Road in a game notorious for referee Barry Knight's performance.

MAY 7, 2006

Ricardo Vaz Te scored the only goal of the game as Bolton ended the 2005/06 season by beating Birmingham City 1-0. It was one of seven goals that the Portuguese frontman scored during his time at the Reebok Stadium.



MAY 9, 2010

Jack Wilshere played the final game of his five-month loan spell with Wanderers during the 2-1 win over Birmingham City. The Arsenal man made a total of 14 appearances whilst in the North West, scoring once against West Ham United.



MAY 11, 1958

Eddie Hopkinson earned one of his 14 England caps during the friendly international against Yugoslavia in Belgrade. Unfortunately, the Bolton goalkeeper couldn't force his way into the World Cup squad for the tournament held in Sweden just a few weeks later.





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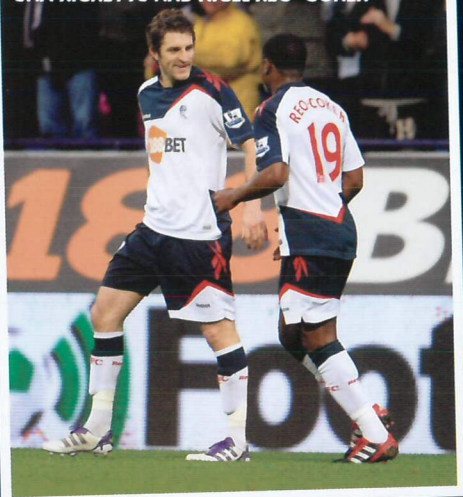


Media Watch with **JACK DEARDEN**

BBC RADIO MANCHESTER'S JACK DEARDEN CONTINUES HIS COLUMN IN THE MATCHDAY PROGRAMME.

I've been asked to pick out who would be my Bolton Wanderers Player of the Year and there are two that I believe have made a real contribution this season. Without trying to sound like a manager, I'm reluctant to single out praise for an individual because it is a team sport, but Nigel Reo-Coker and Sam Ricketts are the ones who I think have enjoyed good seasons.

SAM RICKETTS AND NIGEL REO-COKER



I'm really finding it difficult to separate the two but if I was pushed into narrowing it down to one, I would have to say Ricketts because when he returned from injury just before the turn of the year, it coincided with a decent run of form for the team.

I also have to say Martin Petrov has made a very good contribution in the last couple of months of the season, while Tim Ream has settled in excellently and done better than anyone could have realistically expected.

As everyone knows, I have followed Bolton everywhere this season as part of our commentary team on BBC Radio Manchester. One performance that sticks in my mind is the win at Everton at the start of January. It was a big three points at a crucial time of the season and it was also a great way for Gary Cahill to sign-off in what was his last game for the club before he joined Chelsea.

This might surprise a few people, but another match I really enjoyed was the draw against Arsenal at the Reebok. It was a pulsating encounter and without doubt the best nil-nil I have ever witnessed in my life.

Another entertaining game that I look back on was the 2-0 win at Aston Villa in the Carling Cup towards the start of the season.

As for these last two games and what they hold for Bolton Wanderers, I'm still suitably confident. I said after the Sunderland match that I would have settled for us to have to go to Stoke and win on the last day of the season to stay up and that could prove to be the case.

What I sincerely hope happens, if we go to that situation in the final games, is that Manchester City have to beat Queens Park Rangers to win the Premier League. Although there are just two matches left, there are so many ifs and buts and it's extremely difficult to predict what can and what can't happen.

What it is going to take is one last big push in these last two matches. Everyone knows why it has been a difficult season all-round and you can't question the commitment of the players. Bolton haven't really recovered from a difficult start but there has been plenty of plus points, and hopefully the biggest one is still to come which is Premier League survival.

As this is the final home match of the season, I'd just like to thank everyone for all the support towards myself and Alan Gowling on BBC Radio Manchester over the course of the season. I completely understand that I'm in a privileged position to be able to follow Bolton up and down the country and I hope people have enjoyed listening to our broadcast.

One final message I'd like to say to the fans is to keep the faith in these last two matches and rally behind the side today and at the Britannia Stadium next weekend.

Thanks for reading,
Jack.

GARY CAHILL SCORES IN HIS LAST GAME FOR BOLTON



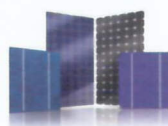


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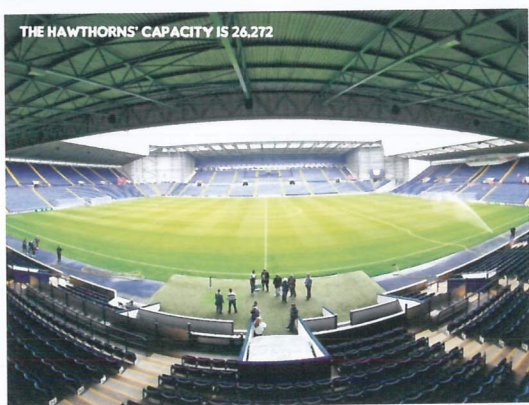
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STATS AND FACTS

- Roy Hodgson helped West Brom to five wins and five draws from their last 12 games of 2010/11.
- Albion finished 11th last season – their highest league finish for three decades.
- West Brom were formed in 1878 - 133 years ago.
- The Hawthorns' capacity is 26,272.
- The club's longest consecutive period in the top division was between 1949 and 1973, and from 1986 to 2002 they spent their longest ever period out of the top division.
- The 2011/12 season is their sixth season in the Premier League since 2002.
- At an altitude of 551 feet (168 m) above sea level, The Hawthorns is the highest of all the 92 Premier League and Football League grounds.
- West Brom recently completed the ultimate smash-and-grab raid to beat Liverpool 1-0 and record their first win at Anfield for 45 years.

THE HAWTHORNS' CAPACITY IS 26,272



THE MANAGER



ROY HODGSON

Roy Hodgson arrives at the Reebok Stadium fresh from being appointed as England manager on a four-year contract. The hugely respected 64-year-old took the helm at West Brom in February 2011 and will remain in charge at The Hawthorns until the end of the season.

Hodgson, who parted company with Liverpool in January of last year after only six months in charge, succeeded Roberto di Matteo at The Hawthorns.

The former Inter Milan, Blackburn and Switzerland boss took over a Baggies side who had lost 13 of their last 18 matches in all competitions. But he steadied the ship in style, keeping Albion in the top flight and guiding them to safety with something to spare this season.

Hodgson, who speaks five languages, will now lead his country after managing 18 teams, including three national sides, during a coaching career spanning 36 years.

**03
JONAS
OLSSON**



D

AGE: 29
FORMER CLUBS:
Landskrona, NEC
Nijmegen.
KEY STAT:
Olsson was
capped 19 times
for Sweden
Under-21s,
scoring one goal.

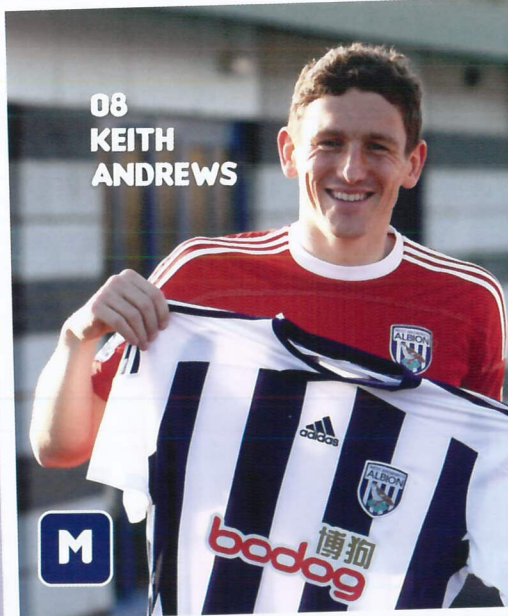
23 GARETH MCAULEY



D

AGE: 32
FORMER CLUBS: Linfield,
Crusaders, Coleraine, Lincoln,
Leicester, Ipswich.
KEY STAT: McAuley has won 35
Northern Ireland caps, scoring
two goals.

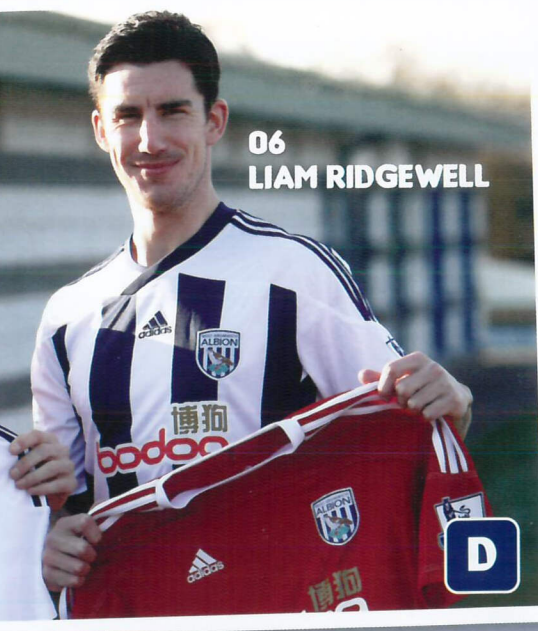
**08
KEITH
ANDREWS**



M

AGE: 31
FORMER CLUBS:
Wolves, Hull, MK Dons, Blackburn.
KEY STAT: Dublin-born Andrews began his career
as a trainee at Wolves, making his senior debut
on March 18, 2000 in a 2-1 win at Swindon.

**06
LIAM RIDGEWELL**



D

AGE: 27
FORMER CLUBS:
Aston Villa, Birmingham.
KEY STAT: Ridgewell completed a move from Aston
Villa to Birmingham for a fee of £2million in August
2007, becoming the first player to transfer between
the clubs since Des Bremner in 1984.

28 BILLY JONES



D

AGE: 25

FORMER CLUBS: Crewe, Preston.

KEY STAT: On June 3, 2011, Jones joined West Brom on a free transfer, having agreed a three-year contract.

11 CHRIS BRUNT



M

AGE: 27

FORMER CLUBS:

Middlesbrough, Sheffield Wednesday.

KEY STAT: Brunt scored his first international goal in February 2009, when his free-kick helped Northern Ireland to a 3-0 victory over San Marino.



01 BEN FOSTER

AGE: 29

FORMER CLUBS: Stoke, Manchester United, Birmingham.

KEY STAT: Albion signed the Birmingham goalkeeper on a season-long loan, while Boaz Myhill has moved in the opposite direction.

GK



01 WEST BROMWICH ALBION

21 WEST BROMWICH ALBION



21 YOUSSEF MULUMBU

AGE: 25
FORMER CLUBS: Paris St-Germain, Amiens SC (loan).
KEY STAT: Born in Kinshasa, Zaire, Mulumbu joined Paris Saint-Germain in 2004 and signed his first professional contract in November 2006.

M

33 PAUL SCHARNER



M

AGE: 32
FORMER CLUBS: Austria Wien, SV Salzburg, Brann, Wigan.
KEY STAT: The Austrian played 145 times for Wigan and scored 14 goals.

17 GRAHAM DORRANS



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AGE: 25
FORMER CLUBS: Livingston, Partick Thistle (loan).
KEY STAT: Dorrans celebrated his 25th birthday yesterday.

09 SHANE LONG



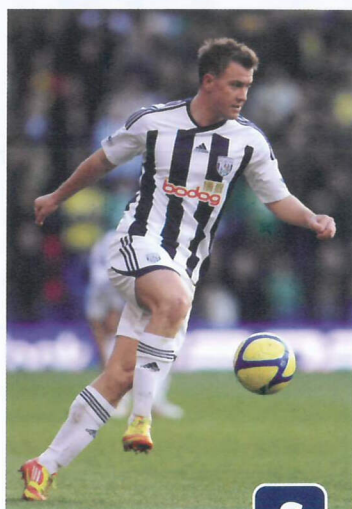
S

AGE: 25

FORMER CLUBS: Cork City, Reading.

KEY STAT: Born in County Tipperary, Long was a talented hurler and appeared in two All-Ireland Minor Hurling Championship (Under 18) semi-finals with Tipperary at Croke Park.

31 SIMON COX



S

AGE: 25

FORMER CLUBS:

Reading, Swindon.

KEY STAT: Cox scored his first Premier League goal against Tottenham on April 23, 2011 - a late equaliser, just four minutes after replacing Paul Scharner.

14 JEROME THOMAS



M

AGE: 29

FORMER CLUBS:

Arsenal, Charlton, Portsmouth.

KEY STAT: In August 2009, Thomas signed for the Baggies as a free agent following his departure from Portsmouth.

24



S

AGE: 30

FORMER CLUBS:

Bendel Insurance, La Louviere, Lokomotiv Moscow.

KEY STAT: Raised in Russia, Odemwingie chose to pledge his allegiances to the national team of Nigeria, although he was also eligible for Russia and Uzbekistan.

PETER ODEMWINGIE



NAMES AND GAMES

Football historian **LEIGH EDWARDS** takes a trip down memory lane



Legends HEAD TO HEAD

JOHN BYROM

Ex-England Youth striker John Byrom was leading marksman in Bolton Wanderers' 1972/73 Third Division title triumph. Signing professional for hometown Blackburn Rovers in August 1961, he helped them reach the League Cup semi-finals in 1961/62 and formed a notable partnership with Andy McEvoy. He moved to Bolton for £25,000 in June 1966 and also

featured in Wanderers' 1972/73 FA Cup run. Top scorer four times, he netted 113 goals in 304 league games before rejoining Blackburn in September 1976. He had various jobs including a gas cylinder round in Blackburn and is now retired, living in the Ribble Valley.



JEFF ASTLE

England international striker Jeff Astle was capped five times while at West Brom, including the 1970 World Cup. He turned professional with Notts County in October 1959 and impressed alongside Tony Hateley before moving to The Hawthorns in September 1964. Starring as West Brom won the League Cup in 1966 and FA Cup in 1968, he also netted in the 1970 League Cup final to become the first player to score in both finals at Wembley. 'The King' netted 137 goals in 292 League games for Baggies and later played for Dunstable, Weymouth and Atherstone. He resided in Netherseal until his death in January 2002.



MANAGING TO SUCCEED

VIC BUCKINGHAM

Flamboyant manager Vic Buckingham plotted West Brom's 1954 FA Cup final triumph. Signing professional for Spurs in May 1935, the wing-half was an England wartime international and became Bradford PA's manager in June 1951. He took charge of West Brom in February 1953, guiding them to League Championship runners-up in 1953/54 and the FA Cup semi-finals in 1956/57. Leaving in May 1959 to manage Ajax, he achieved Dutch League and Cup success during a two-year reign, then managed Sheffield Wednesday and Fulham, coaching Ethnikos, Barcelona and Seville. He died in January 1995.

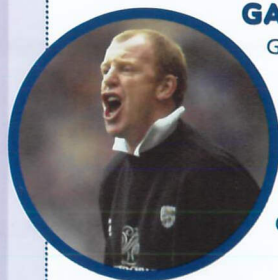
RON ATKINSON

Ron Atkinson had two spells as West Brom's manager. Initially with Aston Villa, the wing-half joined Oxford United in July 1959 and skippered their rise to the Second Division. He became Kettering's player-boss in December 1971, then Cambridge United in November 1974. Plotting their 1976/77 Fourth Division title triumph, he took charge of West Brom in January 1978 and led them to the FA Cup semi-finals. 'Big Ron' left in June 1981 to manage Manchester United, then West Brom again from September 1987 until October 1988 and later Atletico Madrid, Sheffield Wednesday, Aston Villa, Coventry City and Forest.



GARY MEGSON

Gary Megson managed West Brom to the Premiership in 2001/02 and 2003/04. The son of Don Megson, he began with Plymouth and moved via Everton to Sheffield Wednesday in August 1981. He was a promotion winner in 1983/84, then had spells with Forest and Newcastle before rejoining Wednesday in December 1985. Later with Manchester City, Norwich, Lincoln and Shrewsbury, he rejoined Norwich as boss in November 1995, then managed Blackpool, Stockport and Stoke. He was West Brom's boss from March 2000 until October 2004, since managing Forest, Leicester, Bolton and Sheffield Wednesday.



MEMORABLE MATCHES

18/3/80 WEST BROM 4 BOLTON WANDERERS 4

DIVISION 1

Struggling Bolton Wanderers shared eight goals with West Brom in this thriller at the Hawthorns. Mike Carter gave Bolton the lead in appalling conditions but the Baggies quickly equalised through Peter Barnes' penalty after Paul Jones pushed John Deehan. Wanderers' lead was restored by a Neil Whatmore header but West Brom drew level on 50 minutes with Barnes' lob over Jim McDonagh. Bolton went back in front after Carter dribbled round Tony Godden, then Remi Moses levelled for the third time after Deehan hit the post. West Brom went ahead with another Barnes penalty but Peter Reid equalised in the dying seconds.

13/5/01 WEST BROM 2 BOLTON WANDERERS 2 DIVISION 1 PLAY-OFF (1ST LEG)

Bolton Wanderers fought back to draw with West Brom in this First Division play-off semi-final first-leg at the Hawthorns. Lee Hughes failed to finish in the opening minute with only Matt Clarke to beat, then hit the bar on 17 minutes. West Brom broke the deadlock after 43 minutes when Jason Roberts raced clear of Gudni Bergsson to score. The Baggies doubled their lead with Hughes' 55th minute penalty after Colin Hendry brought down Roberts. Bolton piled forward and Bergsson headed in Bo Hansen's corner in the 81st minute. Wanderers levelled with Per Frandsen's 88th minute penalty after Neil Clement felled Hansen.

17/5/01 BOLTON WANDERERS 3 WEST BROM 0 DIVISION 1 PLAY-OFF (2ND LEG)

Bolton Wanderers swept aside West Brom with surprising ease to reach the First Division play-off final. Sam Allardyce's side went ahead after ten minutes when Simon Charlton crossed and Gudni Bergsson raced through to prod the ball past Russell Hoult. Bolton doubled their lead in the 63rd minute when Ricardo Gardner collected Anthony Barness' defence-splitting pass to run in and score from ten yards. As West Brom poured forward in search of a lifeline, Wanderers picked them off at will. Michael Ricketts sealed Bolton's victory when he rounded Hoult in stoppage time and slotted the ball into the empty net.



BOLTON PLAYERS CELEBRATE AFTER A GUDNI BERGSSON'S OPENING GOAL

THE GROUNDS

West Brom played at Cooper's Hill, Dartmouth Park, Bunn's Field, Four Acres and Stoney Lane before moving to the Hawthorns in 1900. The ground staged England internationals against Ireland in October 1922 and Belgium in December 1924. The record crowd at the Hawthorns is 64,815 for the FA Cup sixth round tie against Arsenal in March 1937 and the first floodlit match there was against Chelsea in September 1957. The Rainbow Stand replaced the Handsworth Road Stand in 1964, while the Halfords Lane Stand was built in two phases 1979/82 and the Birmingham Road and Smethwick End Stands were built in 1994.



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BILLY JONES EXCLUSIVE



JONES: WE WANT TO FINISH SEASON ON HIGH ALBION RIGHT-BACK TARGETS VICTORY

When Billy Jones was offered a three-year deal to join West Brom last summer following Preston's relegation to League One, the decision to join the Baggies on a Bosman transfer was a no-brainer.

The versatile right-back, 25, had attracted admiring glances from several clubs during his time at Deepdale. He was North End's Player of the Year last season in the Championship and made over 150 appearances for them. The former England Under-20 international began his career with Crewe before joining Preston on a four-year deal in 2007.

Shrewsbury-born Jones told the official matchday programme: "There were times at Preston when I thought I'd maybe done enough to earn a move, but it never came about. I just kept working hard and hoped that the chance would come again.

"Fortunately for me, I was in my last year at Preston and we weren't doing so well and looked like we were going to get relegated. There was no pressure from the club for me to sign again. I think they know I was going to leave. I was fortunate that West

Brom were willing to take that chance on me, on a Bosman, to give me the opportunity to play in the Premier League.

"I always said that if the club had come to me the season after we made the play-offs under Alan Irvine, I would have signed a new deal there and then. We had just made the play-offs and with the gaffer in place I thought we had another good chance of pushing on again the season after.

"Unfortunately it didn't work out like that. The club ended up selling a lot of good players and getting relegated. When you know that you are more than likely going to be leaving, and a Premier League team comes in for you, it was a no-brainer really. It was an easy decision for me to make. I enjoyed my four years at Preston very much but I couldn't refuse the chance to play in the Premier League."



Jones, capped at England Under-16, 17, 19 and 20 level, has acclimatised well to life in the top flight and a step up in class from the Championship.

He explained: "It's been great and a big learning curve as well. I feel as if I'm learning more and more with every game. It's a lot different to when you're playing in the Championship, when the guy who is playing left wing or left midfield is your man for the whole 90 minutes.

"But in the Premier League players who start out there don't exactly stay out there. There's a lot of movement so it's been a really big learning curve. Gareth Bale and Theo Walcott weren't out on the wing all the time, they moved around a lot, so the hardest games have been against the hardest teams as opposed to individuals."

Where does Jones feel most comfortable?

"I'd say most definitely my best position is right-back," he said. "When I signed for West Brom it was nice for them to say that right-back was where they saw me playing, even though they knew that I can cover other positions if needed. But it's not like the Championship; the squads are bigger in the Premier League.

In the Championship the squads are so small yet there are so many games. I think that's the reason why I played so many different positions in the Championship. Although I can play elsewhere, I think I've known for a long time that my best position is right-back."

Baggies boss Hodgson, meanwhile, has enhanced his reputation at The Hawthorns and was appointed England Manager on Tuesday.

Jones is certainly a confirmed admirer, saying: "I think everyone appreciates all the great work the gaffer has done.

He did it when he first came in last season and again this season, we're safe with a few games to go and looking to better the points tally of last year if possible. He's stabilised West Brom as a Premier League club."

Albion recently claimed their first win at Anfield in 45 years and clearly have no intention of allowing their season to fizzle out.

Jones added: "This is a massive game for Bolton with it being the penultimate game of the season and their last game at the Reebok Stadium. The gaffer has talked about not being complacent and not taking our foot off the gas. It will be a hard game and hopefully we can do well.

I know Mark Davies from playing with him in the England youth team. He's a great player and I played with him at Under-16s and 17s level for England, but even then you could tell what a great player he was. I've followed his career ever since and, although it's been a hard season for Bolton, he's shown his quality."





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TEAM STATS

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DATE	KO	V	OPPONENTS	ATTEN	F	A					
AUGUST 2011											
SAT 13	15:00	A	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	15,195	4	0	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	KNIGHT	CAHILL	STEINSSON
SUN 21	16:00	H	MANCHESTER CITY	24,273	2	3	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	KNIGHT	CAHILL	STEINSSON
WED 24	20:00	H	MACCLESFIELD TOWN CC 2	6,777	2	1	BOGDAN	ALONSO	KNIGHT	WHEATER	RILEY
SAT 27	17:30	A	LIVERPOOL	44,725	1	3	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	KNIGHT	CAHILL	STEINSSON
SEPTEMBER 2011											
SAT 10	17:30	H	MANCHESTER UNITED	25,944	0	5	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	KNIGHT	CAHILL	BOYATA
SAT 17	15:00	H	NORWICH CITY	21,223	1	2	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	KNIGHT	CAHILL	BOYATA
TUE 20	19:45	A	ASTON VILLA CC 3	22,261	2	0	BOGDAN	GARDNER	WHEATER	CAHILL	STEINSSON R2
SAT 24	15:00	A	ARSENAL	59,727	0	3	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	KNIGHT	WHEATER	STEINSSON
OCTOBER 2011											
SUN 2	13:30	H	CHELSEA	24,657	1	5	BOGDAN	ROBINSON	BOYATA	CAHILL	STEINSSON R1
SAT 15	15:00	A	WIGAN ATHLETIC	17,261	3	1	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	WHEATER	CAHILL	BOYATA
SAT 22	15:00	H	SUNDERLAND	24,349	0	2	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	WHEATER	CAHILL	BOYATA R3
TUE 25	19:45	A	ARSENAL CC 4	56,628	1	2	BOGDAN	GARDNER	KNIGHT	CAHILL	STEINSSON
SAT 29	15:00	A	SWANSEA CITY	19,477	1	3	JAASKELAINEN	GARDNER	WHEATER	CAHILL	STEINSSON
NOVEMBER 2011											
SUN 6	15:00	H	STOKE CITY	20,028	5	0	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	WHEATER	CAHILL	RILEY R3
SAT 19	15:00	A	WEST BROMWICH ALBION	26,221	1	2	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	WHEATER	CAHILL	RILEY
SAT 26	15:00	H	EVERTON	24,058	0	2	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	WHEATER	CAHILL	KNIGHT
DECEMBER 2011											
SAT 3	15:00	A	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	35,896	0	3	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	BOYATA	CAHILL	KNIGHT
SAT 10	15:00	H	ASTON VILLA	20,285	1	2	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	BOYATA	CAHILL	KNIGHT
SAT 17	15:00	A	FULHAM	25,643	0	2	JAASKELAINEN	ALONSO	BOYATA R2	CAHILL	KNIGHT
TUE 20	20:00	A	BLACKBURN ROVERS	25,570	2	1	JAASKELAINEN	ALONSO R1	STEINSSON	CAHILL	KNIGHT
MON 26	15:00	H	NEWCASTLE UNITED	26,080	0	2	JAASKELAINEN	ROBINSON	BOYATA	CAHILL	KNIGHT
SAT 31	15:00	H	WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS	20,354	1	1	JAASKELAINEN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	CAHILL	KNIGHT
JANUARY 2012											
WED 4	20:00	A	EVERTON	29,561	2	1	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	CAHILL	KNIGHT
SAT 7	15:00	A	MACCLESFIELD FA CUP R3	5,757	2	2	BOGDAN	RILEY	ROBINSON	WHEATER	KNIGHT
SAT 14	15:00	A	MANCHESTER UNITED	75,444	0	3	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	WHEATER	KNIGHT
TUE 17	20:00	H	MACCLESFIELD FA CUP R3 REPLAY	9,466	2	0	BOGDAN	RILEY	RICKETTS R2	WHEATER	BOYATA
SAT 21	17:30	H	LIVERPOOL	26,854	3	1	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	WHEATER	KNIGHT
SAT 28	15:00	H	SWANSEA CITY FA CUP R4	11,597	2	1	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	RILEY	WHEATER	BOYATA
FEBRUARY 2012											
WED 1	20:00	H	ARSENAL	24,371	0	0	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	WHEATER	KNIGHT
SAT 4	15:00	A	NORWICH CITY	26,358	0	2	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	MEARS	WHEATER	KNIGHT
SAT 11	15:00	H	WIGAN ATHLETIC	23,450	1	2	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	WHEATER	KNIGHT
SAT 18	15:00	A	MILLWALL FA CUP R5	11,134	2	0	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	WHEATER	REAM
SAT 25	15:00	A	CHELSEA	40,999	0	3	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	WHEATER	REAM
MARCH 2012											
SAT 3	15:00	A	MANCHESTER CITY	47,219	0	2	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	WHEATER	KNIGHT
SAT 10	12:45	H	QUEENS PARK RANGERS	21,551	2	1	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	WHEATER	REAM
SAT 17	17:30	A	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR FA CUP R6	MA							
SAT 24	15:00	H	BLACKBURN ROVERS	26,901	2	1	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	WHEATER 2	REAM
TUE 27	19:30	A	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR FA CUP R6	30,718	1	3	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	ALONSO	BOYATA R2	KNIGHT
SAT 31	15:00	A	WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS	25,215	3	2	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	ALONSO	WHEATER	REAM
APRIL 2012											
SAT 7	15:00	H	FULHAM	21,939	0	3	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	ALONSO	WHEATER	REAM
MON 9	15:00	A	NEWCASTLE UNITED	52,264	0	2	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	STEINSSON	WHEATER	REAM
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SAT 28	15:00	A	SUNDERLAND	40,768	2	2	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	BOYATA	WHEATER	REAM
MAY 2012											
WED 2	20:00	H	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	22,349	1	4	BOGDAN	RICKETTS	BOYATA	WHEATER	REAM
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SUN 13	15:00	A	STOKE CITY								

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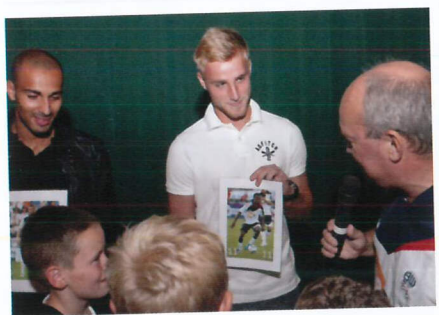
During the 2011/12 Barclays Premier League season, the first team squad were out and about in the local community on a weekly basis completing more than 350 individual appearances.

The number of player appearances at off-field events has never been higher and the benefits are obvious for all to see; whether it is putting a smile on the face of a sick child, boosting the fight against racism and crime or getting involved in a classroom session with Bolton Wanderers Community Trust, our players have the ability to bring about positive change in our local area and further afield.

First team players took time out of their training schedule to visit local schools, charity projects, youth clubs, hospitals and Club initiatives throughout the season.



To mark the October half term, Marcos Alonso and Chung-Yong Lee met young Match Attax fans who came along to the Reebok Stadium as part of a nationwide tour, meanwhile Chris Eagles and Ivan Klasnic celebrated Halloween with the Junior Whites.



Rob Lainton and Darren Pratley kicked off the season by making an appearance at the Junior Whites Start of Season Party in August, whilst Stuart Holden and Sam Ricketts presented certificates to children who had attended a summer course with Study@BWFC.



November saw half of the squad attend the annual Kids Up North disabled living exhibition in the Premier Suite whilst the rest of the squad, led by Gary Cahill, made a visit to Bolton Town Hall to help switch on the Christmas lights.



In the autumn months, Kevin Davies and Ricardo Gardner attended the launch of Bolton Wanderers' latest history book whilst Paul Robinson and Fabrice Muamba attended the launch of National School Meals Week at a local primary school.



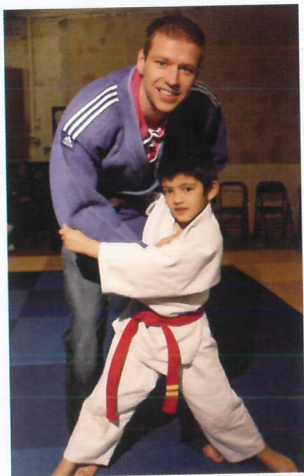
Jussi Jaaskelainen and Martin Petrov helped to educate local school children about their home countries and culture when they attended Go Global, a Study@BWFC classroom-based session and David Ngog continued helping to educate youngsters when he made a visit to Southlands High School in Chorley to take part in a GCSE French language class.



In the month of December, the full first team squad including Sean Davis, Tyrone Mears, Robbie Blake and Mark Davies made their usual visits to Bolton Hospice, Derian House and Royal Bolton Hospital to distribute presents and spend some time with those unable to spend Christmas at home.



At the turn of the year, Adam Bogdan and David Wheeler tried their hand at hockey when they went along to ESSA Academy as part of the Bolton Wanderers Community Trust's Premier League 4 Sport project and in March, Gretar Steinsson got involved with the same project when he showcased his judo skills at Ghosia Community Centre.



As part of the Premier League Enterprise project, Nigel Reo-Coker and Zat Knight met young budding Apprentices at St Joseph's High School and Marvin Sordell got involved with the EA Sports Love Football initiative when he helped to deliver a coaching session to a junior football team at Bolton Arena.

Club Captain Kevin Davies continued his impressive work as the Club's Prince's Trust ambassador and saw his commitment and dedication to the charity recognised when he was invited to St James' Palace to meet Prince Charles in February.



January signing Tim Ream charmed Bolton Wanderers Supporters Association members at one of their recent monthly meetings and just a month earlier, Academy graduates Joe Riley and Michael O'Halloran spoke to the BWSA about their breakthrough into the first team.



Loan signings Dedryck Boyata and Ryo Miyaichi demonstrated their refereeing skills last month when they officiated a short game of football at one of the BWCT half term courses and, on International Women's Day, Tuncay attended a presentation evening at the Reebok Stadium to mark the achievements of a group of young African Muslims who had been carrying out voluntary work back in his home country of Turkey.

As always, our full squad of first team players have continually shown themselves to be positive role models and through their community work, have helped to heighten the profile and raise the awareness of a whole range of social issues as well as spreading joy throughout the borough.

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SUNDAY 6TH MAY

Man Utd V Swansea - 16:00

MONDAY 7TH MAY

Blackburn V Wigan - 20:00

TUESDAY 8TH MAY

Liverpool V Chelsea - 20:00

SUNDAY 13TH MAY 2012

Chelsea V Blackburn - 15:00

Everton V Newcastle - 15:00

Man City V QPR - 15:00

Norwich V Aston Villa - 15:00

Stoke City V Bolton Wanderers - 15:00

Sunderland V Man Utd - 15:00

Swansea V Liverpool - 15:00

Tottenham V Fulham - 15:00

West Brom V Arsenal - 15:00

Wigan V Wolves - 15:00

BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE TABLE

TEAM	LAST UPDATED 03.05.12	Pd	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Manchester City	36	26	5	5	88	27	61	83
2	Manchester United	36	26	5	5	86	33	53	83
3	Arsenal	36	20	6	10	68	44	24	66
4	Tottenham Hotspur	36	19	8	9	63	40	23	65
5	Newcastle United	36	19	8	9	55	46	9	65
6	Chelsea	36	17	10	9	62	41	21	61
7	Everton	36	14	10	12	47	39	8	52
8	Liverpool	36	13	10	13	43	38	5	49
9	Fulham	36	13	10	13	46	48	-2	49
10	West Bromwich Albion	36	13	7	16	41	47	-6	46
11	Sunderland	36	11	12	13	44	43	1	45
12	Swansea City	36	11	11	14	43	49	-6	44
13	Stoke City	36	11	11	14	34	50	-16	44
14	Norwich City	36	11	10	15	47	63	-16	43
15	Aston Villa	36	7	16	13	36	50	-14	37
16	Wigan Athletic	36	9	10	17	38	60	-22	37
17	Queens Park Rangers	36	9	7	20	40	63	-23	34
18	BOLTON WANDERERS	36	10	4	22	42	73	-31	34
19	Blackburn Rovers	36	8	7	21	47	75	-28	31
20	Wolverhampton Wanderers	36	5	9	22	38	79	-41	24

PLAYER STATS 2011- 2012

	01 ADAM BOGDAN	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 18(0) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 5(0) 0	3(0) 0
26(0)0		
	02 GRE TAR STEINSSON	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 20(3) 1	CHAMPIONSHIP 1(0) 0	2(0) 0
23(3)1		
	03 MARCOS ALONSO	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 4(1) 1	CHAMPIONSHIP 1(0) 0	1(0) 0
6(1)1		
	04 PAUL ROBINSON	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 15(2) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 1(1) 0	0(1) 0
16(4)0		
	06 FABRICE MUAMBA	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 18(2) 1	CHAMPIONSHIP 1(1) 0	2(0) 1
21(3)2		
	07 CHRIS EAGLES	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 24(8) 4	CHAMPIONSHIP 3(1) 1	2(1) 1
29(10)6		
	08 STUART HOLDEN	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 0(0) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	1(0) 0
1(0)0		
	09 TUNCAY	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 3(13) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 2(2) 0	2(0) 1
7(15)1		
	10 MARTIN PETROV	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 28(1) 3	CHAMPIONSHIP 3(0) 1	1(0) 1
32(1)5		
	11 RICARDO GARDNER	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 2(2) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	2(0) 0
4(2)0		
	12 ZAT KNIGHT	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 20(3) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 2(0) 0	2(0) 0
24(3)0		
	14 KEVIN DAVIES	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 19(10) 5	CHAMPIONSHIP 2(2) 2	0(2) 0
21(14)7		
	15 TYRONE MEARS	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 1(0) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	0(0) 0
1(0)0		
	16 MARK DAVIES	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 27(6) 3	CHAMPIONSHIP 4(1) 0	2(1) 0
33(8)3		
	17 IVAN KLASNIC	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 15(12) 8	CHAMPIONSHIP 3(0) 1	1(0) 0
19(12)9		
	18 SAM RICKETTS	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 18(0) 1	CHAMPIONSHIP 4(0) 0	0(0) 0
22(0)1		

	19 NIGEL REO-COKER	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 35(0) 4	CHAMPIONSHIP 5(0) 0	0(0) 0
40(0)4		
	20 ROBBIE BLAKE	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 0(1) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	1(1) 0
1(2)0		
	21 DARREN PRATLEY	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 14(11) 1	CHAMPIONSHIP 3(1) 1	3(0) 0
20(12)2		
	22 JUSSI JAASKELAINEN	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 18(0) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	0(0) 0
18(0)0		
	23 SEAN DAVIS	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 0(0) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	0(0) 0
0(0)0		
	24 DAVID NGOG	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 23(8) 3	CHAMPIONSHIP 2(2) 1	1(1) 0
26(11)4		
	25 DEDRYCK BOYATA	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 11(1) 1	CHAMPIONSHIP 3(0) 0	0(0) 0
14(1)1		
	26 ROB LAINTON	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 0(0) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	0(0) 0
0(0)0		
	27 CHUNG-YONG LEE	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 0(0) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	0(0) 0
0(0)0		
	29 MARVIN SORDELL	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 0(2) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	0(0) 0
0(2)0		
	30 RYO MIYAICHI	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 8(4) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 2(0) 1	0(0) 0
10(4)1		
	31 DAVID WHEATER	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 23(0) 2	CHAMPIONSHIP 4(0) 1	2(0) 0
29(0)3		
	32 TIM REAM	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 11(0) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 1(1) 0	0(0) 0
12(1)0		
	37 JOSH VELA	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 0(3) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	0(0) 0
0(3)0		
	38 ADAM BLAKEMAN	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 0(0) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 0(0) 0	0(1) 0
0(1)0		
	39 JOE RILEY	TOTAL
BARCLAYS 2(1) 0	CHAMPIONSHIP 3(0) 0	1(0) 0
6(1)0		

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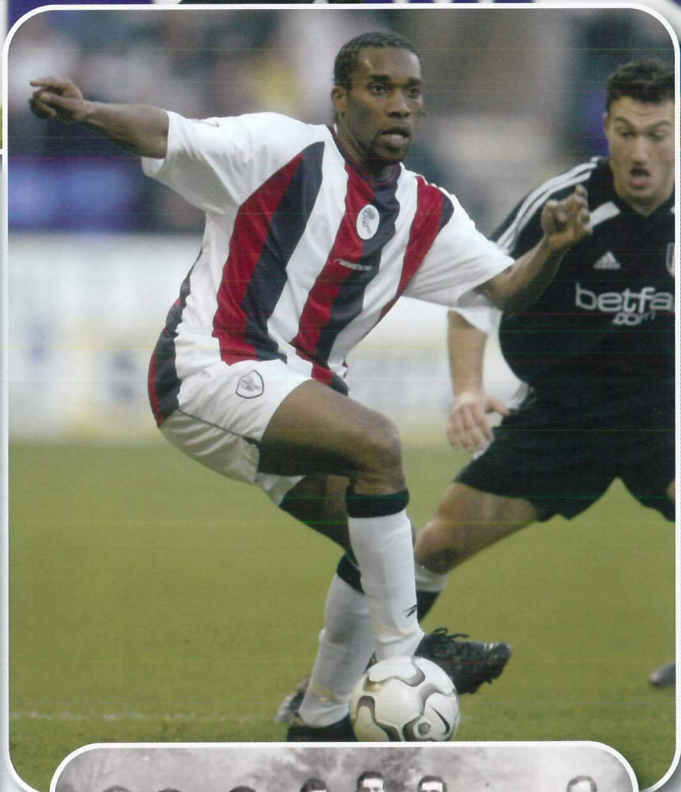
Wanderers Take A Step Back In Time

Nine-and-a-half years ago, Bolton Wanderers celebrated their 125-year anniversary and to commemorate the occasion they took a break from wearing their traditional whites shirts and instead donned a unique strip for their home fixture against Fulham in January 2003.

The kit was a modern interpretation of a blue, white and red vertically-striped design worn by the successful treble winning Bolton Wanderers team from the 1885/1886 season when the team were winners of the Charity Cup, Lancashire Cup and Derby Cup.

A thousand of the shirts were made available for supporters to purchase – and they were all snapped up in the space of two weeks as fans bought a little piece of the club's history.

Unfortunately, the game itself didn't live up to the occasion – both sides played out a goalless draw on what was largely an afternoon to forget at the Reebok Stadium.





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	01 ADAM BOGDAN
	02 GRETAR STEINSSON
	03 MARCOS ALONSO
	04 PAUL ROBINSON
	06 FABRICE MUAMBA
	07 CHRIS EAGLES
	08 STUART HOLDEN
	09 TUNCAY (ON LOAN FROM WOLFSBURG)
	10 MARTIN PETROV
	11 RICARDO GARDNER
	12 ZAT KNIGHT
	14 KEVIN DAVIES
	15 TYRONE MEARS
	16 MARK DAVIES
	17 IVAN KLASNIC
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	20 ROBBIE BLAKE
	21 DARREN PRATLEY
	22 JUSSI JAASKELAINEN
	23 SEAN DAVIS
	24 DAVID NGOG
	25 DEDRYCK BOYATA (ON LOAN FROM MAN CITY)
	26 ROB LAINTON
	27 CHUNG-YONG LEE
	28 GREGG WYLDE
	29 MARVIN SORDELL
	30 RYO MIYAICHI (ON LOAN FROM ARSENAL)
	31 DAVID WHEATER
	32 TIM REAM
	36 MICHAEL O'HALLORAN (ON LOAN TO SHEFF UTD)
	37 JOSH VELA
	39 JOE RILEY
	43 JAY LYNCH

	01 BEN FOSTER (ON LOAN FROM BIRMINGHAM CITY)
	02 JOE MATTOCK
	03 JONAS OLSSON
	05 SOMEN TCHOYI
	06 LIAM RIDGEWELL
	07 JAMES MORRISON
	08 KEITH ANDREWS
	09 SHANE LONG
	11 CHRIS BRUNT
	12 STEVEN REID
	13 MARTON FULOP
	14 JEROME THOMAS
	15 CHRIS WOOD
	16 SCOTT ALLAN
	17 GRAHAM DORRANS
	18 GONZALO JARA REYES
	19 LUKE DANIELS
	20 NICKY SHOREY
	21 YOUSSEUF MULUMBU
	22 ZOLTAN GERA
	23 GARETH MCAULEY
	24 PETER ODEMWINGIE
	25 CRAIG DAWSON
	26 JAMES HURST
	27 SAM MANTOM
	28 BILLY JONES
	29 GEORGE THORNE
	30 GABRIEL TAMAS
	31 SIMON COX
	32 MARC-ANTOINE FORTUNE
	33 PAUL SCHARNER
	34 PAUL DOWNING
	35 ROMAIN SWYER
	36 ADIL NABI
	37 KAYELDEN BROWN
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